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## PREFACE

Indian Census has, in 1961, along with the main task, undertaken a number of special studies to highlight the social and cultural heritage of India. In keeping with this tradition, a scheme for preparing a compendium volume on the Temples of Madras State was mooted. South Indian temples, marvellous in architectural engineering and having a cultural greatness of their own have attracted a number of tourists from all parts of the country and even from abroad. South India has been least affected by the series of invasions which India witnessed because of its geographical isolation and the Hindu culture has been preserved in its most pristine form in Madras State. As Hindu culture is associated largely with temples, it is likely that a study of the temples of Madras State will give a background of what Hindu culture stands for. A scheme has therefore been evolved in which 7 volumes will be published covering all the temples in the State. Two volumes have already been published, the first covering Madras City and Chingleput district and the second covering the districts of Tiruchirapalli and South Arcot. The third volume covers the districts of Coimbatore and Salem.

The manner of presentation in this volume is similar to that adopted for the second volume relating to Tiruchirapalli and South Arcot districts. A detailed description is given of important temples in each taluk while for the others, the relevant particulars are given in a tabular statement. The procedure adopted for filling up the forms relating to temples in the State has been indicated in the first volume on Chingleput and Madras city.

### Coimbatore district :

Out of 1,004 temples under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board in the Coimbatore district, 818 temples returned the forms after filling them up. I deputed my office staff to the remaining 186 temples to collect the information needed by us. The narrative report covers 31 temples while information about the rest is included in tabular statements which have been prepared for each taluk, the villages in each taluk being arranged according to the location code used in Census enumeration.

The questionnaires have been filled up as follows :—

Details			Temples under the Board	Temples out side the Board	Total
1.	By the Trustees of the temples	... ..	93	10	103
2.	By the Executive Officers of temples	... ..	18	...	18
3.	By Revenue Inspectors	... ..	187	39	226
4.	By Village Officers	... ..	256	123	379
5.	By Manager or Priest	... ..	3	1	4
6.	By Office Staff				
	(a) Particulars collected from the Trustees	... ..	157	13	170
	(b) Particulars collected from the Executive Officers		5	...	5
	(c) Particulars collected from Village Officers...		7	...	7
	(d) Particulars collected from Inspectors				
	H. R. & C. E. Board		17	2	19
	(e) Particulars collected from Priests	... ..	6	...	6
7.	Information not stated	... ..	255	36	291
	<b>Total</b>	... ..	<b>1,004</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>1,228</b>

224 temples which are not under the control of the Board but which have sent statistical and other details are also included in the compendium.

Details of income from immovable properties and the value of jewels have been collected for all temples except 46 in respect of immovable properties and 105 in respect of jewelleryes.. It can be presumed that these shrines have no immovable properties or jewels.

The officials of the Revenue Department and of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board and the Trustees of temples have been of great help to us in collecting the particulars relating to temples.

Sketches and plans of the following temples (not according to scale) are included in this compendium.

1. Sri Magudeswarar and Veerananarayana Perumal temple, Kodumudi
2. Sri Koniamman temple, Coimbatore
3. Sri Avanashi Lingeswarar temple, Avanashi
4. Sri Patteeswaraswamy temple, Perur
5. Sri Chennimalai Andavar temple, Chennimalai
6. Sri Sangameswarar temple, Bhavani

#### Salem district :

Out of 1,053 temples under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board in Salem District, reports were received on 859 temples. My staff collected information on the remaining 194 temples. In addition, schedules were received from 138 temples not under the control of the Board. Such temples also have been included in the compendium. Thus the Directory for Salem will cover 1,191 temples. The narrative report covers 38 temples while details of 1,153 temples are given in the tabular statements. The questionnaires have been filled up by the following persons.

Details				Temples under the Board	Temples out side the Board	Total
1.	By the Trustees of the temples	...	...	147	12	159
2.	By the Executive Officers of temples	...	...	29	1	30
3.	By Revenue Inspectors	...	..	23	3	26
4.	By Village Officers	...	...	99	10	109
5.	By Manager or Priest	...	...	14	...	14
6.	By Grama sevaks	...	...	96	24	120
7.	By Inspectors H. R. & C E. Board	...	...	10	...	10
8.	By Panchayat Development Officers	...	...	76	12	88
9.	By Office Staff :					
	(a) Particulars collected from the Trustees	...		191	14	205
	(b) Particulars collected from the Executive Officers			...	1	1
	(c) Particulars collected from Village Officers			2	1	3
	(d) Particulars collected from Inspectors					
	H. R. & C. E. Board			1	...	1
	(e) Particulars collected from Priests	...	..		5	5
10.	Information not stated	...	...	365	55	420
	<b>Total</b>	...		<b>1,053</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>1,191</b>

Details of income from immovable properties, and the value of jewellery have been given for all temples except 18 in respect of immovable properties and 52 in respect of jewelleries. It can be presumed that these temples do not have any immovable property or jewellery.

The age of the temple will depend on the view held by the persons who filled the schedule and cannot always be supported by evidence of inscriptions or other records.

Revenue Officials as well as the officials of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board and Trustees of temples have been of great help to us in collecting the particulars relating to temples.

Sketches and plans of the following temples (not according to scale) are included in this compendium

1. Sri Narasimhaswamy temple, Namakkal
2. Sri Chandra Choodeswaraswamy Hill temple, Hosur
3. Sri Badra Kalliamman temple, Mecheri
4. Sri Kailasanathar temple, Taramangalam

In addition to these temples, there are innumerable shrines for village Gods and Goddesses with and without structures. Where there are structures, they are very small ; in other cases, the deities are installed under trees and represented by an idol or a symbol like three bricks or a stone. These shrines are outside the scope of our survey ; but I have indicated in the first Volume relating to Madras City and Chingleput District the important role played by them in the religious life of a section of the people in the State.

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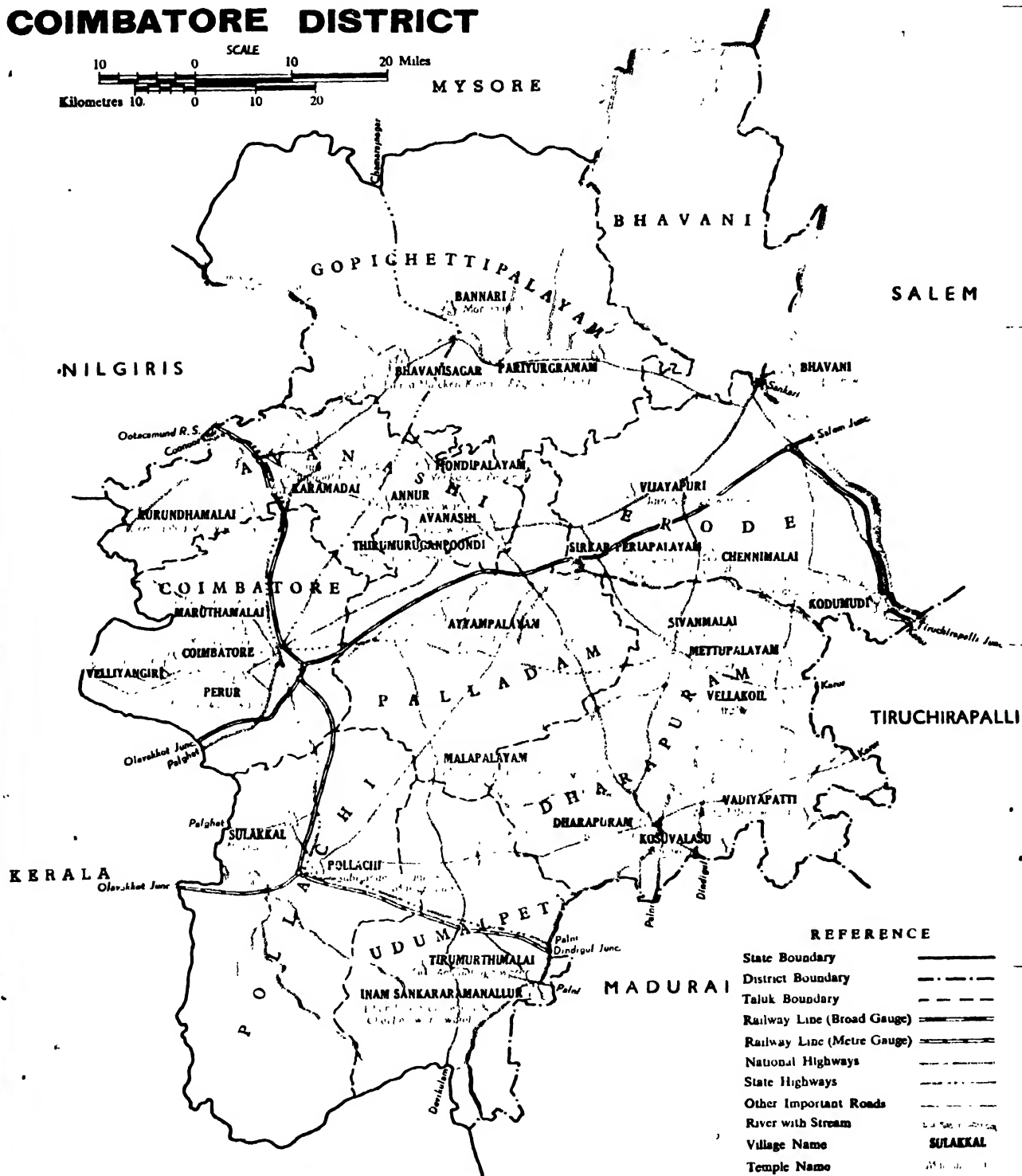
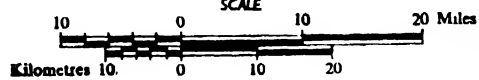
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**COIMBATORE DISTRICT**



## Location of Important Temples in COIMBATORE DISTRICT



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## COIMBATORE DISTRICT

### INTRODUCTION

The district of Coimbatore is the major component of that part of Madras State popularly known as Kongunad. Palni taluk of Madurai district, Karur taluk of Tiruchirappalli, and Namakkal and Tiruchengode taluks of Salem district are also part of Kongunad. It has its peculiar and characteristic features which distinguishes it from other parts of Madras State. As it was less developed than Chola and Pandya territory, it has less number of well-known sacred places. Of the 207 places recognised as Padal Petasthalams only 7 can be found in Kongunad, viz., Avanashi, Thirumugapu, Bhavani and Kodumudi of Coimbatore district, Karur and Venchamangadulur of Tiruchy and Tiruchengode of Salem district. Towards the construction of temples in Coimbatore district, Cholas, Hoysalas and Pandyas have contributed their mite. But Coimbatore has always remained an unsettled area being the battleground of Hoysalas and southern dynasties with the result that sufficient attention has not been given to the construction of temples. With the advent of the British rule in India, Coimbatore district has grown in its economic and industrial importance. As such, we do find a large number of modern constructions in addition to the few sacred centres already listed.

The thousand year old temple at Bhavani located at the junction of two rivers— Bhavani and Cauveri has a majestic pagoda of 120' in height. The presiding deity is Sri Sangameswarar. Bhavani is popularly known as South Prayag. Just as Jamuna and Saraswathi (not visible) join with Ganges at Allahabad (Prayag), Bhavani and Amuda (not visible now) join Cauveri at this juncture. The sacred temple at Bannari, dedicated to Sri Mariamman who is in the form of a Swayambu Lingam by the side of a Vengai tree is a place of pilgrimage chiefly during the famous annual festival 'Poomkithal'. Pilgrims hailing not only from Madras State, but also from Kerala and Mysore gather in large numbers estimated at 1.5 lakhs. Another famous temple is Chhandayudhapani at the top of Chennimalai built by Sivalaya Cholan. In order to get rid of 'Brahmahatti', he visited several shrines and came to Chennimalai. Lord Muruga took the form of a priest and performed pooja and blessed the Chola.

Another famous temple is at Kodumudi. The Lingam is assumed to be a stone which fell from the head of Adi Sesha. In Sri Veerakumaraswami temple

at Vellakoil, no woman is given entrance. Sri Bhagavan temple at Ponnivadi, a Vaishnavite shrine is said to cure epidemics like plague, small-pox and cholera. Sri Vazhai Thottathu Ayyan temple is one of the two temples which yield the maximum annual income in Coimbatore district. Avanashi is known as South Banaras. The old name was Pukkoliyur where Saint Sundarar brought back to life a boy who was devoured by a crocodile five years earlier. The temple was built by Cholas in the middle of the 12th century and later on renovations and additions were made by Pandyas and Hoysalas and Mysore kings.

Sri Patteeswaraswamy temple in Perur was founded in the 1st century B. C. by the great Karikaa Chola. The sacred theertham at Mariamman temple in Sulakal is said to cure all kinds of diseases. The reputed Thirumurthimalai dedicated to Sri Amanalingeswarar is a pilgrim centre to which devotees flock in large numbers on Sundays and on New Moon days. Except a mandapam, no structure resembling a murthi or idol can be found here. In fact most of the temples included in the narrative part have special features of interest.

The taluk-wise distribution of the temple is as follows:

Name of Taluk	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
1. Bhavani	72	34	106
2. Gopichettipalayam	132	14	146
3. Erode	124	12	136
4. Dharapuram	69	30	99
5. Pallada	86	78	164
6. Avanashi	69	10	79
7. Coimbatore	182	7	189
8. Pollachi	177	21	198
9. Udumalpet	93	18	111
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>1,228</b>

Pollachi taluk has the largest number of temples, viz., 198, while the least number is in Avanashi taluk, viz., 79.

A classification of the temples according to the presiding deities reveals the following interesting details :—

Presiding Deities	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
Siva and His consort ...	160	44	204
Vishnu and His consort ...	254	53	307
Murugar ...	46	11	57
Goddesses ...	359	71	430
(Village Deities)			
Vinayagar ...	106	30	136
Other Deities ..	79	15	94
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>1,228</b>

The number of Saivite temples is 397, while the Vaishnavite shrines are 307.

The following statement shows the area covered by the temples.

Extent	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
Below 5 cents ...	260	44	304
5 cents and above but below 20 cents ...	327	66	393
20 cents and above but below 1 acre ...	288	74	362
1 acre and above but below 2 acres ...	54	12	66
2 acres and above but below 5 acres ...	16	7	23
5 acres and above but below 10 acres ...	5	...	5
10 acres and above ...	2	...	2
Area not stated ...	52	21	73
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>1,228</b>

It may be seen from the above statement that while only 2 temples cover an area of 10 acres and more, 304 shrines are small ones covering less than 5 cents. The majority of temples namely 755 out of 1,228, occupy an extent of 5 cents to an acre. Temples which cover an area of one acre and over is less than 8 per cent, as the number of such shrines is only 96. The 73 temples which have not furnished the information under this head may be treated as small ones. Thus, more than 50 per cent of the temples are those which cover an area of less than four grounds.

In 53 out of 190 Siva temples, the presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam, while in the remaining 137 shrines, the Moolavar is an installed one. In two Amman shrines, the Moola Vighrams are said to be Swayambu. There are only pictures in seven temples. In four shrines neither idol nor picture is found. Excluding 445 temples, where their position is not specified, the posture of the presiding deities in other than Siva temples is as follows :—

Standing pose ...	376
Sitting pose ..	152
Lying pose ...	5
Dancing pose ...	1
Stone without figure ...	25
Anthill ...	2
Head alone ...	1
Spear ...	1
Others ...	17
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>580</b>

Saivite Gurukkals and Vaishnavite Bhattacharies are generally employed to perform poojas in the Siva and Vishnu temples respectively. The remuneration paid to them is low. Before they are permitted to enter the Sanctum, they should be duly initiated according to the rules prescribed in the Agamas or Pancharatras.

The following statement regarding poojas will be interesting :—

Names of Deities	Temples under the Board			Temples outside the Board			Total		
	Where poojas are per- formed	Where the priest is		Where poojas are per- formed	Where the priest is		Where poojas are per- formed	Where the priest is	
		Brahmin	Others		Brahmin	Others		Brahmin	Others
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
Siva and His Consort	157	129	28	42	33	9	199	162	37
Vishnu and His Consort	249	190	59	51	40	11	300	230	70
Murugar	46	32	14	9	7	2	55	39	16
Vinayagar	105	32	73	29	12	17	134	44	90
Goddesses (Village Deities)	355	20	335	69	1	68	424	21	403
Other Deities	77	25	52	12	3	9	89	28	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>1,201</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>677</b>

Poojas are performed in all except 27 temples, where there are no priests. A noteworthy feature of this district is that in the majority of temples priests of communities other than Brahmins offer poojas. In 677 out of 1,201 temples, persons other than Brahmins offer poojas. In the majority of Siva, Vishnu and Murugan temples, the priest is a Brahmin, while out of 134 temples for Vinayagar, only in 44 shrines, the priest is a Brahmin. In 37 out of 199 Siva temples, in 70 out of 300 Vishnu shrines and in 16 out of 55 Murugan temples, the priest belongs to other communities, whereas Brahmin priests are found only in 49 out of 513 temples for Village Goddesses and Other Deities. In the bigger Siva temples, after the recitation of Vedas in Sanskrit by the Gurukkals, Thevaram is sung in Tamil by Pandarams who are known as 'Othuvans'. In Vishnu temples the Bhattacharies recite Vedas in Sanskrit and Thiruvaimozhi in Tamil.

Though the language of the Madras State is Tamil, poojas are performed in Sanskrit in all the important temples in the State. It is based on the assumption that Devas (Gods) should be worshipped in their language and that Sanskrit should be the medium of worship as it is supposed to be the language of the Gods. The historical explanation is that Sanskrit was the language of the Brahmins who held sway in the temples. The fusion of Aryan and Dravidian cultures elevated the position of Brahmins in South India and with the rise of the Vijayanagar empire, Sanskrit

became universal. At the same time the practice of reciting Tamil hymns was in vogue for at least a thousand years.

No ornaments are found in 786 temples. Hundred and five temples have not furnished any details under the head. The classification of the remaining 337 temples according to value of jewellery owned by them is as follows :—

Value of Jewellery	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Rs.			
500 and below	186	33	219
501 — 1,000	30	4	34
1,001 — 5,000	52	5	57
5,001 — 10,000	5	...	5
10,001 — 50,000	11	..	11
50,001 — 100,000	8	1	9
1,00,001 — 500,000	2	...	2
5,00,001 — 1,000,000	...	...	...
Above ten lakhs	...	...	...
<b>Total</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>337</b>

The following are the two temples which own ornaments worth more than Rs. one lakh.

1. Sri Nattarayaswamy temple—Mettupalayam
2. Sri Subramaniaswamy temple—Sivanmalai

The value of jewellery in Sri Subramaniaswamy temple of Sivanmalai is estimated at about Rs. 5 lakhs.

Pious devotees have endowed lands for performance of pujas and festivals. Except fortyseven temples, the others own immovable properties in the shape of wet, dry or wet and dry lands, garden lands, topes, house sites, shops, etc. Excluding fortysix shrines which have not given details of income, the classification of 1,135 temples which derive an income from immovable properties is shown below :—

Annual Income	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
500 and below	441	79	520
501 — 1,000	243	27	270
1,001 — 5,000	228	19	247
5,001 — 10,000	50	4	54
10,001 — 50,000	39	1	40
50,001 — 100,000	2	...	2
Above one lakh	1	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>1,135</b>

The following are the four temples having an income of above Rs. 50,000 per annum from their immovable properties.

1. Sri Eswaran temple, Nerunjepatti
2. Sri Bannari Mariamman temple, Chikkarasampalayam
3. Sri Vazhai Thottathu Ayyan temple, Ayyampalayam
4. Sri Patteeswarar temple, Perur

The Sri Mariamman temple at Bannari and Sri Vazhai Thottathu Ayyan temple at Ayyampalayam get an income of Rs. 80,000/- and Rs. 60,000/- respectively per annum under hundi collections, while the chief source of income of Sri Magudeswarar and Veeranarayana Perumal temple at Kodumudi and Sri Patteeswarar temple at Perur is through the sale of Archana and Abishega tickets to the extent of Rs. 20,000/- and Rs. 15,000/- respectively.

Out of 1,228 temples, only seven temples are running public institutions like choultries, while Sri Patteeswarar temple of Perur is running two religious schools viz., "The Veda Padasala" and "The Thevara Padasala".

1,148 temples have no cars, while 1,143 shrines have no Rathams. 80 temples alone own cars and 85 have Rathams. Only 35 temples are having palanquins and 302 shrines are in possession of vahanas like peacock, rishabam, elephant, horse, handicoot, etc. These vahanas are generally made of wood or brass. The bigger and more famous temples have gold and silver plated vahanas.

Annual festivals are celebrated in 651 out of 1,228 temples. The classification of temples on the basis of the number of festivals observed is as follows :

Number of festivals in a year	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
One Festival	278	58	336
Two Festivals	104	19	123
Three Festivals	86	7	93
Four Festivals	29	4	33
5 to 10 Festivals	53	8	61
11 to 20 Festivals	5	...	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>651</b>

The size of the crowd that gathers for the festivals exceeds 500 in 321 temples.

Out of 1,004 temples under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board, paid Executive Officers have been appointed by the Board for 78 temples.



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There are no trustees for 223 temples. There is a single trustee for 551 temples and a Board consisting of more than one trustee is in charge of 378 temples. In 8 temples, the priests themselves are functioning as trustees. Particulars under this head have not been furnished by 68 temples.

With reference to the details given in the schedules, the classification of temples, according to the age is as follows: -

• Before Christ	...	14
Prior to 7th Century	..	14
7th Century, to 1750	...	238
After 1750 (Modern)	.	723
Details not given	..	239
<b>Total</b>	...	<b>1,228</b>

The age of the temples given in the schedule is more a conjecture than any approximation to fact. The age of the 28 temples said to have been built prior to 600 A.D. cannot be correct. Some sort of shrines for worship existed in these places and later temples were built in such places. Sri Patteeswaraswamy temple of Perur is an ancient shrine built in the 1st century B.C. by the famous Chola King Karikala. The Jain temple at Vijayamangalam was constructed some 1,800 years back by the famous Jain King Kongu Velir and round about the 13th century, three other

temples viz., Sri Nageswaraswamy temple, Sri Someswaraswamy temple and Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple sprung up here and were patronised by Chola and Pandya Kings. The Avanashi Lingeswarar temple at Avanashi was built by the Cholas in the middle of the 12th century, while Sri Chennimalai Andavar temple at the top of the hills at Chennimalai was built by Sivalaya Cholan. Sri Mandhiragiri Velayudhaswamy temple at Malaipalayam is also said to be a very ancient shrine, as Saint Arunagirinadhar has glorified it in his famous "Thiruppugazh". Sri Sangameswarar temple of Bhavani is said to be thousand years old.

As any one of the saints viz., Appar, Sundarar, Sambandar and Manickavasagar has visited or sung about the presiding deities of the following temples, they should belong to the period covered by the 7th and 8th centuries, though the present structure may be of a later date

1. Sri Magudeswarar temple - Kodumudi.
2. Sri Thiru Muruganadhar temple - Thirumurganpoondi.

While the above details show that these temples belong to the 7th or 8th centuries or to an earlier date, there is no information regarding the age of the existing structures in most cases. It is possible that additions were made piecemeal periodically.

## IMPORTANT TEMPLES OF COIMBATORE DISTRICT

S. No.	No. & Name of Taluk	No. & Name of 1961 Census Unit	Name of Temple
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	1. Bhavani ...	43. Bhavani ...	Sri Sangameswarar temple
2	2. Gopichetti-palayam	26. Chikkarasampalayam ...	Sri Mariamman temple at Bannari
3		48. Pariyurgramam ...	Sri Agginigunda Kali or Kondathu Kali- amman temple
4		68. Bhavanisagar ...	Sri Thanda Naicken Kottai temples
5	3. Erode ...	100. Vijayapuri ...	Sri Jain and Nageswaraswami temple
6		133. Chennimalai ...	Sri Subramaniaswami temple
7		146. Sirkar Periapalayam	Sri Sugreeswarar temple
8		194. Kodumudi	Sri Magudeswarar and Veeranarayana Perumal temple
9	4. Dharapuram ...	4. Sivanmalai ...	Sri Subramaniaswami temple
10		14. Mettupalayam ...	Sri Natturayaswamy temple
11		30. Vellakoil ...	Sri Veerakumaraswami temple
12		56. Dharapuram ...	Sri Kadu Hanumanthaswami temple
13		73. Ponnivadi ...	Sri Bagavan temple at Kosuvalasu
14		78. Komarapalayam ...	Sri Nattaththeeswaran Koil at VEDIYAPATTI
15	5. Palladam ...	40. Somaipuram ...	Sri Vazhai Thottathu Ayyan temple at Ayyanpalayam
16		101. Malapalayam ...	Sri Mandhiragiri Velayudhaswami temple
17	6. Avanashi ...	15. Alathur ...	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple at Mondi- palayam
18		36. Karamadur ...	Sri Ranganathaswami and Nanjundeswarar temples

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## IMPORTANT TEMPLES OF COIMBATORE DISTRICT (Concl'd.)

S. No.	No. & Name of Taluk	No. & Name of 1961 Census Unit	Name of Temple
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
19		42. Marudur	Sri Kuzhandhai Velayudhaswami temple at Kurundha Malai
20		54. Annur	Sri Manneeswarar temple
21		66. Avanashi	Sri Avanashi Lingeswarar temple
22		75. Thirumuruganpoondi	Sri Thirumuruganathaswami temple
23	7. Coimbatore	37. Vedavalli	Sri Subramaniaswami temple at Marutha-malai
24		40. Coimbatore	Sri Koniamman temple
25		55. Ikkarai Baluvampatti	Sri Velliyangiri and Poondi Temples
26		61. Perur	Sri Patteeswaraswami temple
27	8. Pollachi	27. Sulakkal	Sri Mariamman temple
28		76. Pollachi	Sri Subramaniaswami and Mariamman temples
29	9. Udumalpet	76. Dhali	Sri Amanalingeswarar temple at Thirumurthi-malai
30		88. Inam Sankararamanallur	Sri Dhandaveswaraswami and Chozhceswaraswami temples

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#### Sri Sangameswarar temple

The Sangameswaraswami temple is located in the town of Bhavani at the confluence of rivers Cauveri and Bhavani. The nearest railway station is Erode lying at a distance of 10 miles. It is believed that a bath at the confluence will relieve any suffering or ailment. The place is also known as 'Tirunana'. The temple is said to have existed even before the days of the first King Mahendra Varma belonging to the Pallava dynasty. Thirugnanasambandar, one of the four Tamil Saints has sung in praise of this temple. The temple is situated in picturesque surroundings. The place where the two rivers join together is itself a beauty spot with tall shady trees on either side lending serenity and charm to the place.

The deity of the temple is Lord Sangameswarar with His consort Vedhanayagi. The "Bhavani Kudal Puranam" written in Sanskrit by poet Vasudevan gives the history of the temple in 901 verses in 18 Chapters. According to this puranam when 'Amrit' came on the surface as a result of the churning of the ocean of milk, there remained a little of this Amrit which was given by Thirumal (Vishnu) to Saint Parasara who buried it on the bank of the river Bhavani and continued his 'tapas'. Four Asuras came to the place to snatch the Amrit, upon which the saint appealed to Lord Siva to save the precious treasure from falling into the hands of the Asuras. Lord Siva sent four Durgas who drove away the Asuras. After some time, when the saint dug the place to take the pot containing the Amrit, he found it converted into a Lingam. He installed the Lingam on the spot and offered daily worship to it. He also

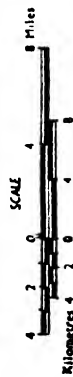
sprang from the spot and joined the confluence of rivers, the Cauveri and the Bhavani. This water course was called 'Amuta' river. That was also the reason why 'Tirunana' was also called Dakshin Prayag. Thenkailai, and Parasara Kshetram.

Another story told about this temple is that a Chola King, on hearing the greatness of this temple, came with his wife to worship so that they might be blessed with a child. When they were going round the temple, the King's wife noticed a fruit fallen on the ground from the 'Elandai' tree grown there. She ate it and was blessed with a child. This tree is said to bear a single fruit in a year. The place is said to have been sanctified by the footprints of Sri Rama, Arjuna, the hero of Mahabharatha and many Rishis, and numerous are the miracles said to have taken place in this holy place. The 'Elandai' tree mentioned above is called 'Vadari', and therefore the place is also called Vadarikacharamam.

The main building where the presiding deity has been installed is on the bank of the river near the bathing ghat. This has now been pulled down and a new building is being constructed. Nearly 15 lakhs of rupees have been collected and spent on renovation. The work is being carried on for the past ten years and is likely to be completed within another three or four years. However, in artistic skill the present stone carvings would not compare with those in the adjacent sub-temple dedicated to the Lord's consort Vedhanayagi or the one dedicated to Adhikesava Perumal.

Immadi Getti Mudaliar (Shevarayan (Krishna-Udaiyar's minister) and Umr Matheswara Gounder had

MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN  
GOPICHETTI PALAYAM & BHAVANI TALUKS



MYSORE

HILL AREA

H I L L A R E A

GOPICHETTI PALAYAM TALUK

BHAVANI TALUK

OMALUR TALUK  
SALEM DISTRICT

DHARMAPURI TALUK  
SALEM DISTRICT

OOTAMUND TALUK  
NILGIRI DISTRICT

COONOR TALUK  
NILGIRI DISTRICT

AVANASHI TALUK

PALLADAM TALUK

ERODE TALUK

Categories of Temples and  
their Symbols.

- Siva ●
- Vishnu □
- Murugan ■
- Ganapati △
- Others ○

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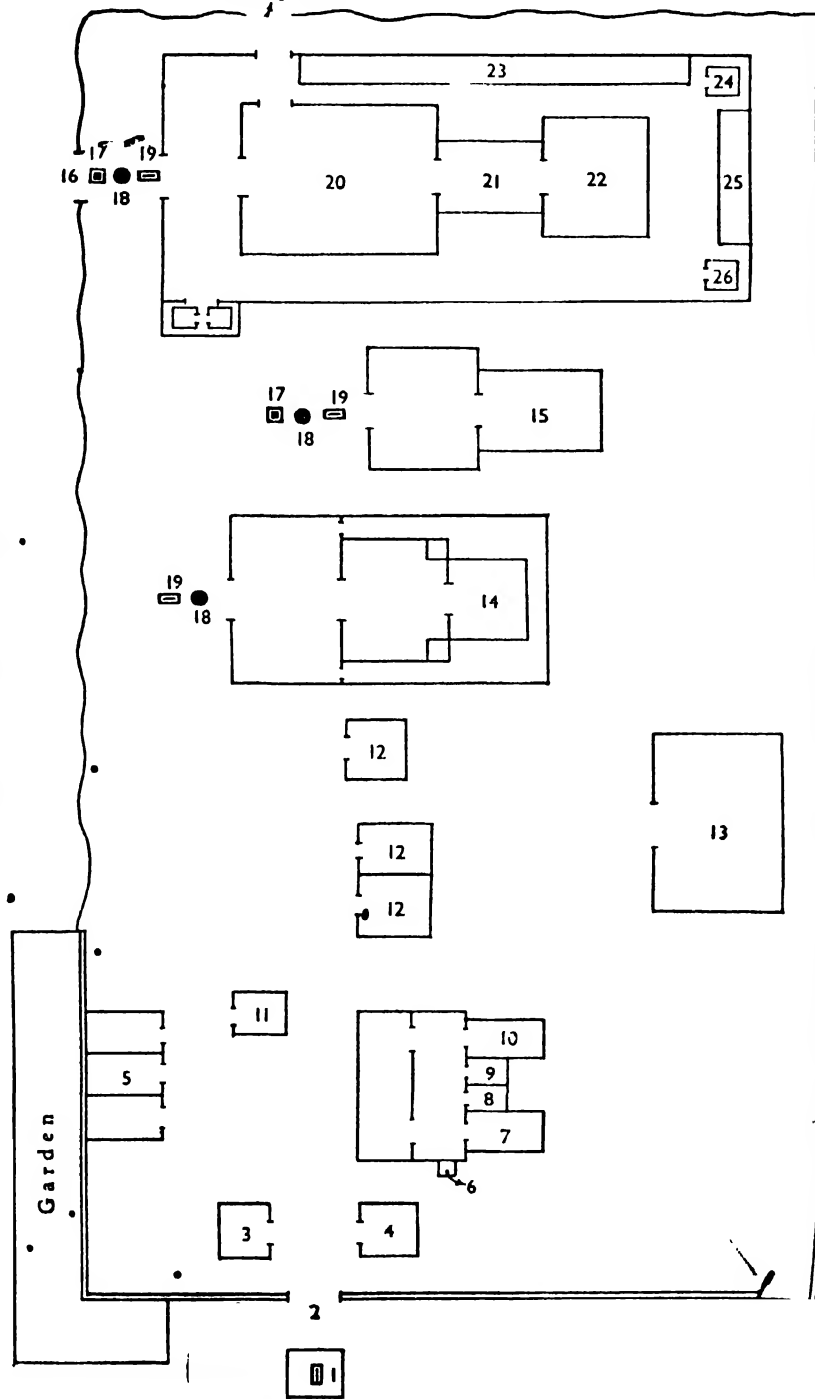
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Bathing Ghat

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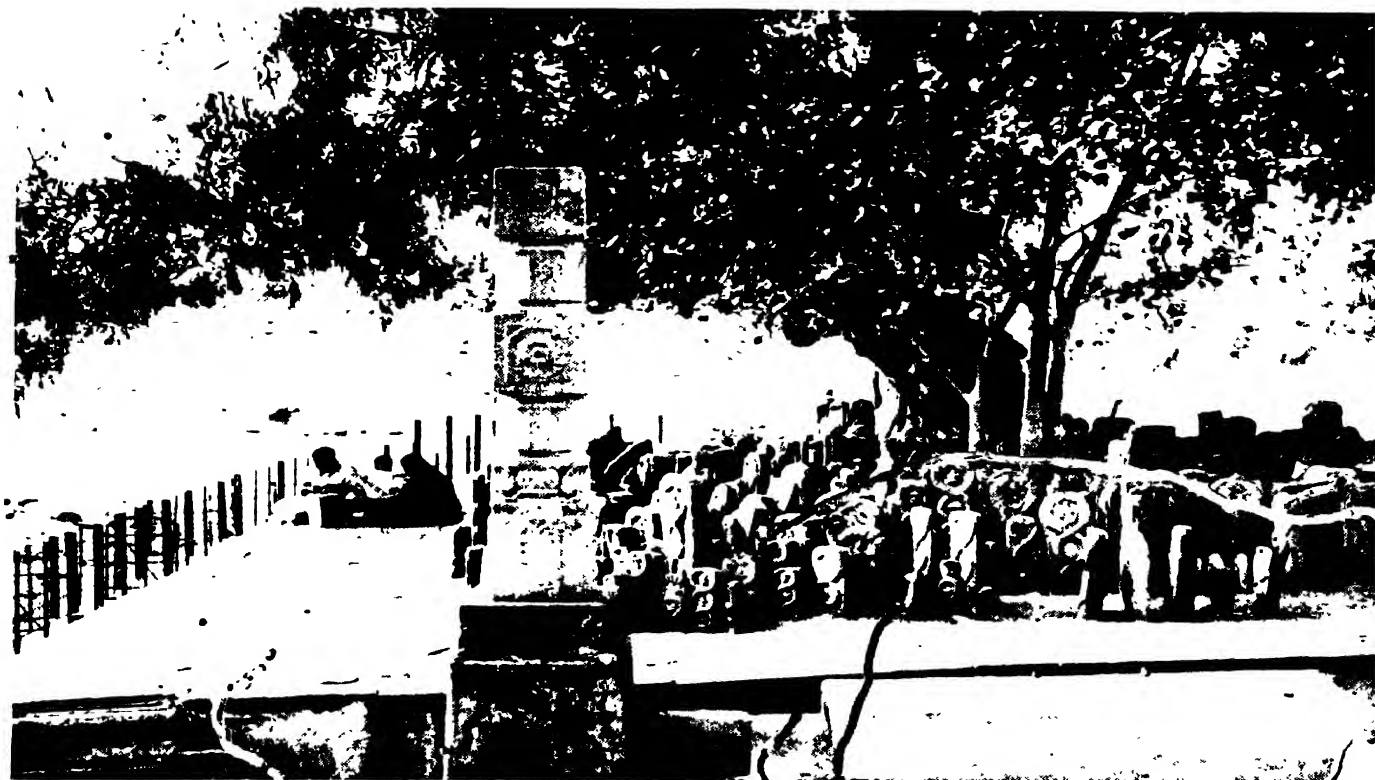
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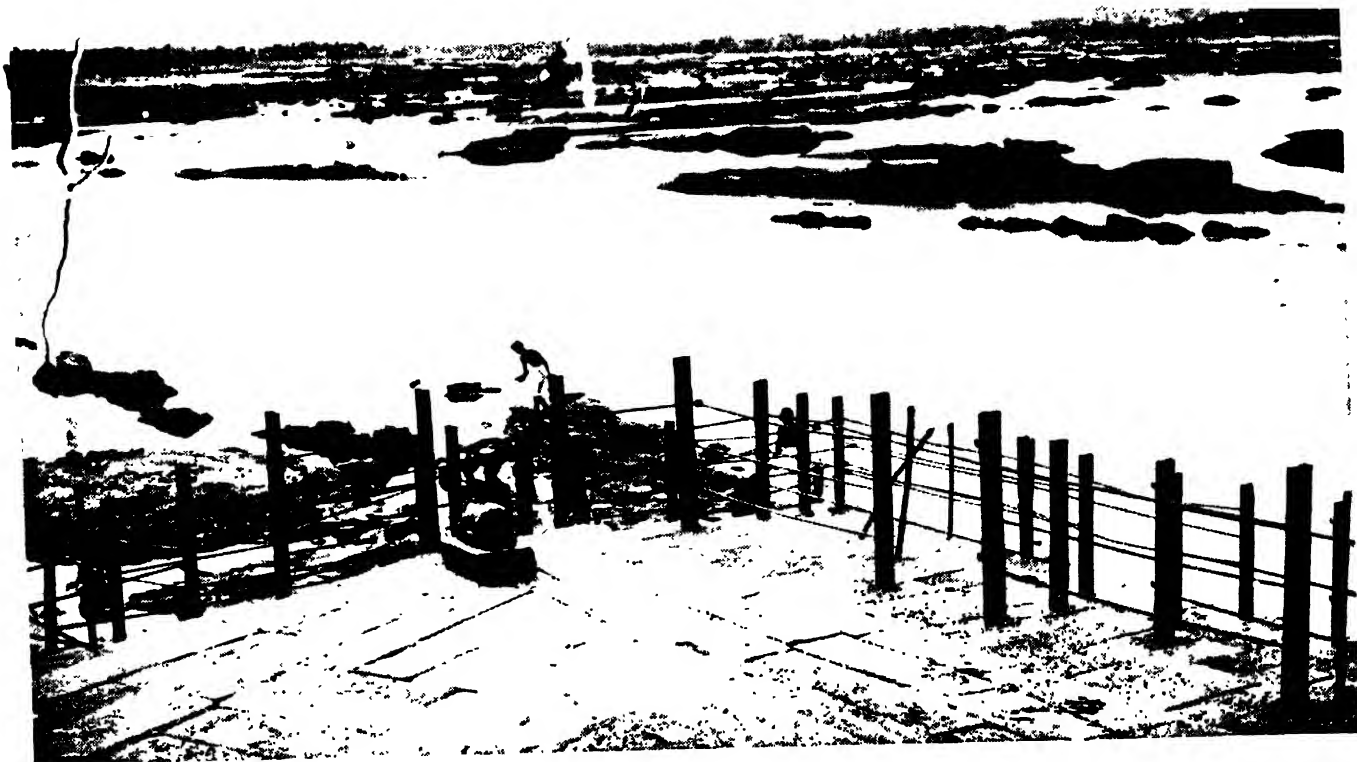




A view of the gopuram and vimanam of Sri Sangameswarar temple.



Sthalavriksham at the Confluence — Sri Sangameswarar temple.



The Confluence of Cauveri and Bhavani — Bathing ghat for pilgrims.



Renovation of Sa' Janeswarar temple — Work in progress.

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done renovation. Mandapam of the Amman temple was constructed by Chinnammal, sister of Immadi Getti Mudaliar. A palanquin made of ivory was offered to Amman in 1804 by the European Collector William Karo. It seems that once he had a dream of a lady ordering him to come out of his bed room. To his surprise the roof fell on his bed soon after he left the room. He believed it to be the act of Amman. As a token of his gratitude, he offered the palanquin which is still kept in the temple of Amman.

In between the main temple and Amman temple, there is a sanctum for Lord Subramaniam. Adjacent to it, there is an image of Jwara Hareswarar (ஜ்வரா ஹேஸ்வரர்) with three legs, three hands and three heads, who is said to have cured the sickness of those

who accompanied Thirugnanasambandar when he visited this temple. There is an image of Lord Ganesa with a consort in the Amman temple.

The main temple together with the sub-temples of Subramaniam, Vedhanayagi and Adhikesava Perumal occupy an area of four acres. The image of the presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam. The temple possesses jewels worth Rs. 30,000. It has an annual income of about Rs. 8,000 from lands and Rs. 7,000 from devotees. The annual festival is held in the month of Adi (July-August) when the river is full of water. The temple is managed by a Board of five Trustees and an Executive Officer. Bhavanam is also noted for its famous carpets and bed-sheets.

**BHAVANI**

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples under the Hindu Religious								
1	1	Burgur	Sundappur	Sri Veerabadraswamy temple (O)	150	0.50	Sri Veerabadraswamy	Erode Railway station 40 miles
2	4	Channapatty	Murali H/o Chinnampatty	Sri Mariammman temple (F)	150	1.00	Sri Mariammman	Erode Railway station 22 miles
3	..	do	do	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	150	0.50	Sri Varadarajar	do
4	5	Illipilli (P)	Illipilli	Sri Chockanachiamman temple (S)	60	0.15	Sri Chockanachiamman	Erode Railway station 28 miles
5	..	do	Malagoundenpudur (Pattapalayam)	Sri Muniappar temple (O)	60	1.76	Sri Muniappar	do
6	6	Tirupur (P)	Reddipalayam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Sellandiamman	Erode Railway station 24 miles
7	..	do	Reddipalayam	Sri Palingeswarar temple (S)	100	0.03	Sri Palingeswarar	do
8		do	Thiruppur	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	100	0.06	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
		do		Sri Chennayaperumal temple (V)	100	Not stated	Sri Chennaya Perumal	
Saivite    Vaishnavite    (M) Murugar    (G) Ganesan    (F) Amman    (O) Others								

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others							
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

300	...	6.00	...	...	...	2,500	Cow Elephant Horse Tiger Kamadhenu Nandhi Nagam	Once a day by a hereditary Thampadi	Karthikai Deepam Deepavali Pongal Ugadhi Adi 18th day Vinayaga Chathurthi Sivarathri	...	No
400	...	5.16	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	8.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachanar	No	...	No
500	...	8.89	...	...	...	1,500	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival once a year	...	No
7,500	...	5.03	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	do	...	No
222	...	13.29	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
260	...	23.75	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	16.05	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No

Sl. No.	Location/code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temples	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
10	8	Ennamangalam (P)	Ennamangalam	Sri Silampur Amman temple (F)	70	0.10	Sri Silampur Mariamman	Erode Railway station 27 miles
11				Sri Kari Kalamman temple (F)			Sri Kari Kali-amman	
12				Sri Venkatesaperumal temple (V)			Sri Venkatesa Perumal	
13	9	Sankarapalayam (P)	Sankarapalayam	Sri Velayudhaswamy temple (M)	150	Not stated	Sri Velayudhaswamy	Erode Railway station
14	10	Andiyur (P)	Andiyur	Sri Selleswaraswamy temple (S)	300	5.00	Sri Selleswaraswamy	Erode Railway station 21 miles
15				Sri Alagaroyaperumal temple (V)			Sri Alagaroya Perumal	
16				Sri Badrakali-amman temple (F)			Sri Badrakali-amman	
17		do	do	Sri Hanumantharaya Perumal temple (V)	100	0.01	Sri Hanumatharaya Perumal	
18				Sri Getti Vinayagar temple (G)	300	1.00	Sri Getti Vinayagar	do
19				Sri Veerabadraswamy temple (O)			Sri Veerabadrar	
20		do	Karathipalayam H/o Andiyur	Sri Karupuswamy temple (O)	150	Not stated	Sri Karuppuswamy	Erode Railway station
21		Gettisamudram (P)	Pudupalayam H/o Gettisamudram	Sri Gurunathaswamy temple (O)	300	0.34	Sri Gurunathaswamy	Erode Railway station 24 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fash 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Gharitable Endowmmts Board (Contd.)

360	...	40.31	...	..	...	..	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Poosari	No	.	No
360	..	40.31	...	.	...	.	..	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Ippasi Festival	.	No
							Chapparam-2	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	64 to 67 and 227-229 of 1928	..
6,040	...		..	Buildings	...	8,000 (includes Sri Badrakali-anman temple	..	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	..	No
...	...	..	...	2 shops vacant land 1.00	...	...	Palanquin Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Brahmothsavam in Panguni	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	..	...	No
1,732	1.00	35.00	...	...	...	...	...	} Once a day by a Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi	..	No
	0.58	5.75	...	..	..	..	...				
200	...	...	..	..	...	Value not stated	...	Once a week by a Gounder	Chithirai Festival	..	No
4,625	...	1.44	...	...	..	Value not stated	Palanquin Cars-2	Once a week by a hereditary Padayachi	Adi Festival	...	

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
22	12	Pachampalayam	Pachampalayam	Sri Someswaraswamy temple (S)	500	0.03	Sri Someswaraswamy	Erode Railway station 22 miles
23	„	do	do	Sri Devendrappan temple (O)	500	0.04	Sri Devendrappan	do
24	13	Pattlur	Pattlur	Sri Semmuniswamy temple (O)	100	0.20	Sri Semmuniswamy	do
25	„	do	do	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	100	0.15	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Erode Railway station 23 miles
26	„	do	do	Sri Vageeswaraswamy temple (S)	Not known	0.15	Sri Easwarar	do
27	16	Kannapalli	Kannapalli	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	100	0.15	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Erode Railway station 23 miles
28				Sri Ellaiperumal temple (V)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Ellaiperumal	
29	17	Budapadi (P)	Budapadi	Sri Boothakaliyamman temple (F)	400	0.05	Sri Boothakaliyamman	Erode Railway station 22 miles
30	18	Ammapettai (P)	Ammapettai	Sri Chockanathaswamy temple (S)	300	0.75	Sri Chockanathar	Erode Railway station 25 miles
31		do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	do



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

300	...	...	9.82	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Naidu	No	...	No
200	...	...	1.90	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
2,500	Extent not stated			...	...	...	Palanquin Cars-2	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Chithuai Festival	...	No
616	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
398	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
600	...	5.63	...	Garden 17.56	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Thirukkodi Festival in Purattasi	...	No
...	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a year by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,000	...	...	5.70	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
5,861	...	35.28	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
826	...	5.61	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
32	19	Nerunjepatti (P)	Nerunjepatti	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	100	1.00	Sri Sellandiamman	Mettur Dam Railway station 10 miles
33	..	do	do	Sri Nishtayil Uraiyum Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Nishtayil Uraiyum Perumal	Mettur Dam Railway station 12 miles
34	..	do	do	Sri Mettur Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.3	Sri Mettur Mariamman	Erode Railway station 25 miles
35	22	Singampettai (P)	Singampettai	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	250	0.02	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	Erode Railway station 21 miles
36	23	Kurichi	Kurichi	Sri Chockanachiamman temple (F)	100	0.11	Sri Chockanachiamman	Erode Railway station 20 miles
37	..	do	do	Sri Madheswaraswamy temple (S)	100	0.11	Sri Madheswarar	Erode Railway station 20 miles
38	..			Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
39	..	do	do	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	100	0.07	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
40	24	Poonachi	Poonachi	Sri Chockanachiamman temple (F)	250	0.48	Sri Chockanachiamman	Erode Railway station 24 miles
41	25	Olagadam (P)	Olagadam	Sri Olageswaraswamy temple (S)	300	0.79	Sri Olageswarar	Erode Railway station 22 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,504	...	...	...	6.25	...	158	Horse, Lion, Swan	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Navarathri Kundam Festival	...	Yes
1,078	...	13.24	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
342	...	...	...	40.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Festival in Panguni	...	No
471	...	24.78	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
375	...	30.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	Yes
500	...	31.00	...	...	...	...	Peacock	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
2,487	...	43.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	No	...	Yes
200	...	20.30	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
450	Extent	not	stated	...	Value not stated	Rishabams-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri	...	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
42	25	Olagadam (P)	Olagadam	Sri Chockanachi- amman temple (F)	200	0.32	Sr Chockanachi- amman	Erode Railway station 22 miles
43	„	do	Otterpalayam (Olagadam)	Sri Adinarayana Perumal temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Adinarayana Perumal	Erode Railway station 19 miles
44	27	Brahma- desam (P)	Brahmadesam	Sri Lakshminarayana- swamy temple (V)	200	0.02	Sri Lakshminara- yanaswamy	Erode Railway station 21 miles
45	„	do	do	Sri Pongali- amman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Pongali- amman	do
46	„	do	Puthur H/o Brahma- desam	Sri Petharayaswamy temple (S)	100	0.05	Sri Pertharaya- swamy Sri Kamakshi- amman	Erode Railway station
47	29	Athani (P)	Athani	Sri Sellandamman temple (F)	400	0.53	Sri Sallandi- amman	Erode Railway station 27 miles
48	30	Kuppandam- palayam	Kuppandam- palayam	Sri Kariakali- amman temple (F)	300	0.63	Sri Kariakali- amman	Erode Railway station 26 miles
49	34	Paruvachi (P)	Paruvachi	Sri Chockanachi- amman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Chockanachi- amman	Erode Railway station 20 miles
50	„	do	do	Sri Ulagalanda Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Ulagalanda Perumal	do
51	35	Mylambadi (P)	Mylambadi	Sri Kariakali- amman temple (F)	500	Not stated	Sri Kariakali- amman	Erode Railway station 18 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

3,076			Extent not stated		...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Kundam Festival		No
630	...	10.30	...	...	...	...	Garuda	Twice a day by a hereditary Naicker	Garuda Sevai in Purattasi	...	Yes
800	...	...	...	24.78	...	...	...	Pooja performed once a day	No		No
250	...	...	...	18.48	...	750	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
900	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
450	...	...	...	66.06	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No		No
350	...	...	...	17.82	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No		No
500	...	...	...	20.00	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Amman Festival once in a year		No
350	...	10.10	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Naicker	Perumal Festival once in a year		No
1,493	...	45.41	...	...	...	1,000	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
52	35	Mylambadi (P)	Mylambadi	Sri Pasuvachi Perumal temple (V)	500	Not stated	Sri Pasuvachi Perumal	Erode Railway station 18 miles
53	36	Kalbavi (P)	Kalbavi	Sri Kattari Koneri Perumal temple (V)	100	0.06	Sri Koneri Perumal	Erode Railway station
54				Sri Ettikollai Ranganathaperumal temple (V)	100	0.01	Sri Ranganatha Perumal	
55	42	Urachikottai (P)	Urachikottai	Sri Vedanarayana Perumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Vedanarayana Perumal	Erode Railway station 14 miles
56	„	do	do	Sri Chockanachi amman temple (F)	300	0.34	Sri Chockanach amman	do
57				Sri Kottai Vinayagar temple (G)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
58	„	do	do	Sri Nilaperumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Nilaperumal	do
59	43	Bhavani (P)	Bhavani	Sri Sangameswara-swamy temple (S)	1,000	4.00	Sri Sangameswara-swamy	Erode Railway station 11 miles
60		do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	300	0.46	Sri Sellandiamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs		vahanam			Ref for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

450	...	26.05	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300	5.00	.	...	...	...	..	..	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	No	.	No
500	18.00	...	...	..	..	.	...	Once a week by a Bhatta-chariar	No	...	No
811	..	10.00	...	...	..	180	Vimanam	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
	4.50	...	..	...	...	.	...	do	No	...	No
400	6.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
19,306	...	88.7	...	...	20,388	..	Cars-2 Chapparam-5 Vahanas-21 including a few silver ones	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram Navarathri Thiruvathirai Adi 18th day Vaikunta Ekadasi Brahmothsavam	...	Yes
3,974	14.00	8.00	...	1 House	..	1,450	Vimanam Lion Horse Car Serpent	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Chithirai Car Festival Pongal Brahmothsavam in Masi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
61	43	Bhavani (P)	Bhavani	Sri Villai Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Erode Railway station 11 miles
62	44	Jambai (P)	Jambai	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	200	0.34	Sri Badrakali- amman	Erode Railway station 14 miles
63	..	do	Vadamalai- palayam	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	500	0.75	Sri Lakshminara- yana Perumal	Erode Railway station 16 miles
64	45	Punnam (P)	Punnam	Sri Chockanachi- amman temple (F)	150	0.25	Sri Chokanachi- amman	Erode Railway station 17 miles
65	46	Oricheri (P)	Oricheri	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Badrakali- amman	Erode Railway station 19 miles
66	47	Appakudal (P)	Appakudal	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Kali- amman	do
67	..	do	do	Sri Kasiviswanatha- swamy temple (S)	800	2.25	Sri Viswanathee- swarar	Erode Railway station 18 miles
68	..	..	..	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)			Sri Varadaraja Perumal	



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

714	3.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	.	No
5,747	...	38.94	...	..	..	391	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Kundam Festival Karthigai Deepam Navarathri Deepavali Vinayaga Chathurthi Ugadh Pongal	...	No
800	...	46.00	...	...	...	200	Garuda Anjaneya Sesha Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Gokulashtami Navarathri	..	No
375	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vaikunta Ekadasi Amman Festival in Chithirai	..	No
574	...	3.32	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	Bramotsavam in Vaikasi	...	Yes
473	...	20.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	11.43	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam	...	Yes
413	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam	..	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

**Temples under the Hindu Religious**

69	50	Kavandanpadi (P)	Sentham-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.04	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 14 miles
70	55	Periapuliyur (P)	Settipalayam	Sri Adinarayana Perumal temple (V)	100	0.20	Sri Adinarayana Perumal	Erode Railway station 12 miles
71	..	do	Periapuliyur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 10 miles
72	..	do	do	Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)	200	0.25	Sri Kariaperumal	

**Temples outside the Hindu Religious**

1	1	Burgur	Burgur	Sri Pandheswara-swamy temple (S)	Not known	0.20	Sri Pandheswara-swamy	Erode Railway station 41 miles
2				Sri Veerabadraswamy temple (O)	Not known	0.75	Sri Veerabadra-swamy	
3				Sri Jadeswaraswmi temple (S)	150	0.50	Sri Jadeswara-swami	
4		Kumarayyanur	Kumarayya-nur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.06	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 38 miles

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

3,542	.	...	6.00	Garden 1.00	..	1,500	Chapparam Lion	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Panguni Mahali Amman Festival in Ippasi Muniappan Festival in Adi	...	No
100	12.90	...	...	.	...	...	...	Once a day by a Naicker	No	...	No
372	..	...	.	4.00	...	...	..	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
	..	...	..	5.00	.	.	...	Poojas performed by an Archagar	No	...	No

## and Charitable Endowments Board

1,000	...	...	.	16.87	...	2,500	Car Tiger Elephant. Horse. Kamadhenu. Serpent. Nandhi Cow	Daily poojas performed by hereditary Phambadi	Adi 18th day Gowri Nonbu Ugadhi Kundam Festival	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	350	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
5	4	Chennam-patti (P)	Chennam-patti	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Kariakaliamman	Mettur Railway station 25 miles
6				Sri Muthumariamman temple (F)			Sri Muthumariamman	
7	6	Tiruppur (P)	Tiruppur	Sri Mannadhaswamy temple (O)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Mannadhaswamy	Erode Railway station 27 miles
8				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
9	„		Reddipalayam	Sri Sekkathipatti Muniappan temple (O)	100	Not stated	Sri Muniappar	Erode Railway station 24 miles
10	7	Mathur (P)	Mathur	Sri Azhaganachiamman temple (F)	300	1.00	Sri Azhaganachiamman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
11				Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	300	1.00	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
12	9	Sankarapalayam (P)	Sankarapalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 26 miles
13	16	Kannapalli	Kannapalli	Sri Palaiyur Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.04	Sri Vinayagar	Mettur Dam Railway station 22 miles
14	17	Budapadi	Budapalli	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	200	0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Erode Railway station 27 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival once a year	...	No
Not stated	...	10.09	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in September	...	No
...	...	3.43	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	6.60	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1 250	...	19.72	...	...	...	1,500	Lion	Poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	Kundam Festival	...	No
...	...	20.81	...	...	...	100	Garuda	Poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
2,000	...	17.29	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Mariamman Festival once a year	...	No
300	...	4.22	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	7.18	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Dhasari	No	...	No

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
15	19	Nerunjepatti (P)	Nerunjepatti	Sri Eswarar temple (S)	80	1.00	Sri Eswarar	Mettur Railway station 12 miles
16	26	Oddapalayam	Oddapalayam	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not Known	0.02	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Erode Railway station 19 miles
17	31	Mungilpatti	Moongilpatti	Sri Sanjeevaroya Perumal temple (V)	60	0.03	Sri Sanjeevaroya Perumal	Erode Railway station 23 miles
18	32	Kilavani	Kilavani	Sri Kariakalamman temple (F)	60	0.10	Sri Kariakalamman	do
19				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.10	Sri Mariamman	
20				Sri Gopalakaruppuswamy temple (O)	60	Not stated	Sri Gopalakaruppuswamy	
21	33	Vembathi (P)	Vembathi	Sri Chockanachi amman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Amman	Erode Railway station 20 miles
22	33	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	100	0.40	Sri Perumal	do
23	33	do	do	Sri Vaitheswarar temple (S)	100	0.15	Sri Eswarar	do
24	33	do	do	Sri Petharanam temple (O)	100	0.50	Sri Pattappan Sri Periswamy	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

2,00,000	..	386.06	..	Lehoutry	..	75,000	Palanquin (silver) Palanquin (gold)	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri	...	Yes
200	..	3.90	...	..	..	..	..	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No
150	...	..	3.35	..	..	...	..	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
350	..	..	...	...	...	600	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Anman Festival in Panguni	...	No
1,500	...	26.38	...	...	...	Value not stated	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Kundam Festival	...	...
3,000	5.50	21.13	...	Garden 11.27	...	...	..	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Festival in Purattasi	...	...
500	1.98	9.70	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	...
300	...	...	...	Garden 8.45	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
25	35	Mylambadi (P)	Mylampadi	Sri Lingochipalayam Kariaperumal temple (V)	500	Not stated	Sri Kariaperumal	Erode Railway station 18 miles
26				Sri Kannadiapalayam Lakshminarayana-perumal temple			Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	
27	43	Bhavani (P)	Bhavani	Sri Muniappaswamy temple (O)	Not Known	0.15	Sri Muniappa-swamy	Erode Railway station 16 miles
28	48	Kuthampundi	Kuthampundi	Sri Chockkanachiamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Chockkanachiamman	Erode Railway station 24 miles
29	49	Odathurai (P)	Odathurai	Sri Eswarar temple (S)	60	2.48	Sri Eswarar	Erode Railway station 22 miles
30	50	Kavandapadi (P)	Kavandapadi	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	150	0.50	Sri Kalamman	Erode Railway station 14 miles
31	51	Salangapalayam (P)	Salangapalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	40	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 17 miles
32	54	Sinnapuliyur (P)	Sinnapuliyur	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	100	0.26	Sri Sellandiamman	Erode Railway station 15 miles
33	..	do	do	Sri Kumaraswamy temple (M)	120	0.39	Sri Kumaraswamy	do



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)				(16)	(17)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

Not stated	...	6.06	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
3,000	14.81	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
475	...	14.41	...	...	..	500	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
..	...	...	...	...	...	250	..	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Thai Poosam	...	No
200	...	1.25	...	...	...	2,000	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Margazhi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival once in a year	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	8.23	...	...	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
600	...	..	...	3.47	...	..	...	Once a week by a hereditary Oddar	No	...	No

## GOPICHETTIPALAYAM TALUK

### 26. BANNARI

#### Sri Mariamman temple

Bannari is about 50 miles north of Coimbatore or 8 miles from Bhavanisagar on the road to Mysore. It is a place of pilgrimage, chiefly during the annual festival known as "Kundam" which takes place after mid-night on the Monday nearer to the Full Moon day in the Tamil month of (Panguni) பங்குனி or middle of March every year. Pilgrims on that particular day can roughly be estimated as 1.5 lakhs hailing not only from Madras State but also from Kerala and Mysore. The income from Hundi collections on that day is Rs. 80,000 approximately, tensure offering is Rs. 9,000 and hire charges for the holy spear (வேல்) which the devotees take in procession in small groups of 100 to 150 is Rs. 20,000. Special buses ply from all directions in connection with this festival. A small crowd of say 3,000 gather on New Moon days, otherwise few visitors are found as it is situated in a forest without proper amenities. Mariamman, the presiding deity, is believed to be present on the festival day in the form of fire. So pilgrims resort to 'walking on the fire' known as பூமிநித்தல். It is also believed that tiger and cow drink together at this place. The common belief of a milch cow once offering its milk to the local deity prevails at this place also.

The temple is very small. The image of the presiding deity Mariamman is in the form of a Swayambu Lingam by the side of a Vengai tree (வேங்கை மரம்). Another image of Amman has also been installed. Poojas are performed by a Non-brahmin hereditary priest belonging to ஒக்கிலி கவுண்டர் (Okkili Gounder) caste. At the time of the festival, Irulas, the local tribes play the music with the pipe known as Peenalschi (பீனல்சுதி).

The temple owns an extent of nearly 20 acres of land on which temporary shops and shelters are erected during festival. The temple has silver and golden ornaments worth Rs. 60,000. The temple is managed by a Board of Trustees and an Executive Officer.

### 48. PARIYUR

#### Sri Agginigunda Kali or Kondaththu Kaliyamman temple

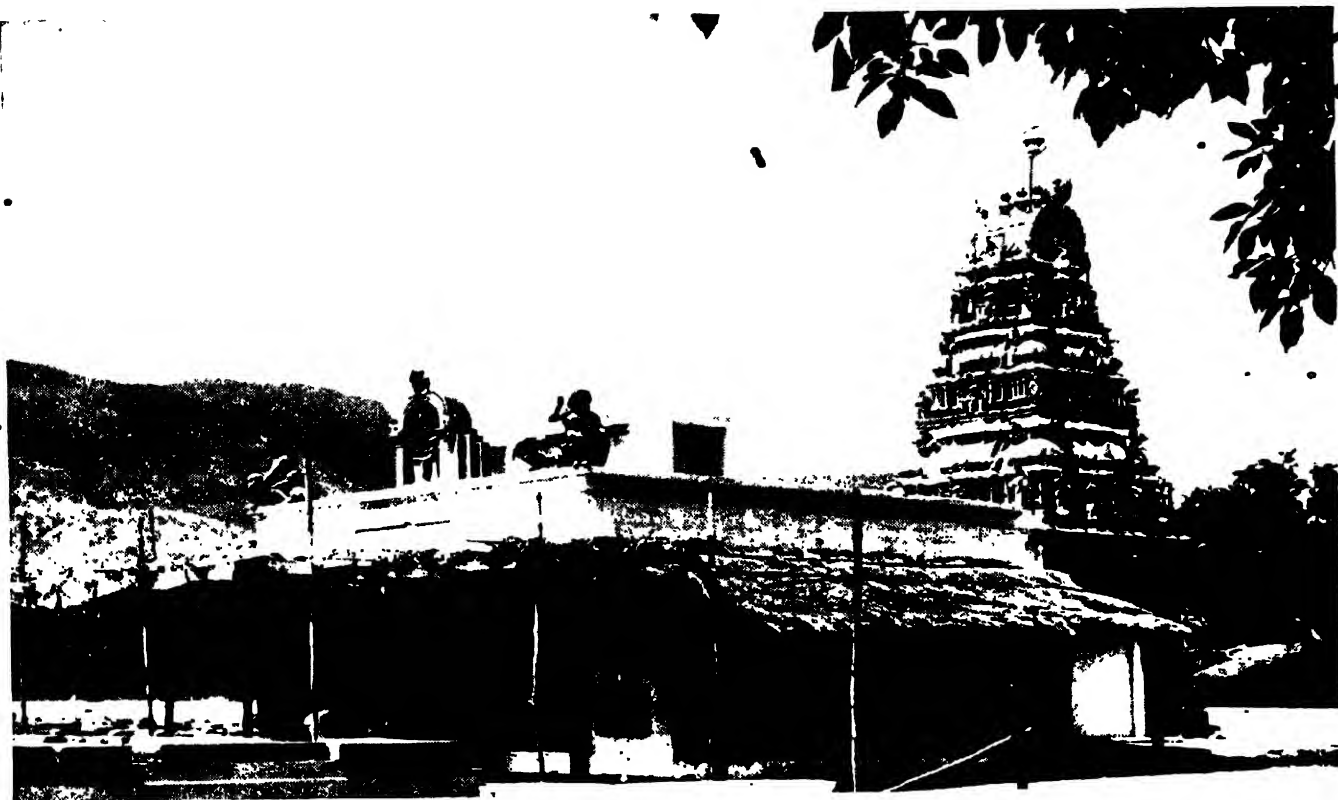
About 28 miles North-West of Erode or 2 miles from Gopichettipalayam lies the village Pariyur once known as Parapuri (பரப்பூர்). The village is a fertile one and lies on the bank of a canal from Bhavani

river. There are three temples in the village, one dedicated to Lord Siva, another dedicated to Lord Vishnu and the third one dedicated to Goddess Kaliyamman. These are ancient temples and have stone inscriptions. Veerapandyadeva, Hoysala King Bhujabala-Vira Vallaladeva III and Chola King Konerimaikondan Tribhuvanaviradeva patronised\* these temples. This place is also believed to be associated with the ancient Tamil King Pari (பாரி) who is one of the seven legendary kings known for their charity (கடைநெய் ழ வள்ளல்கள்). But there is no evidence for such claim. At present this is noted for the exquisite stone carvings. The main temple is that of Goddess Kaliyamman.

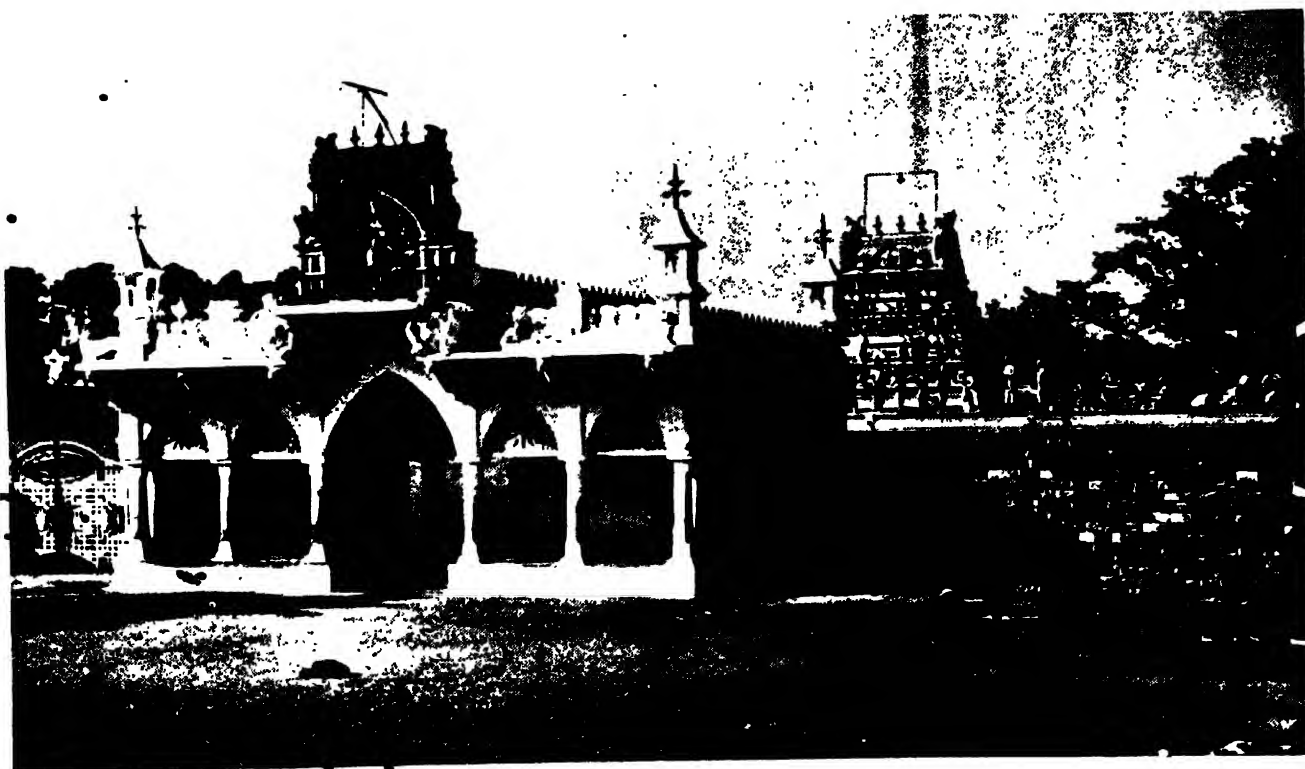
As soon as one enters the main gateway of Amman temple, any one will be attracted by a group of images on the top of the wall depicting the marriage of Lord Siva in the presence of Lord Brahma, Lord Vishnu, Naradhar and others. On the top of the other sides of the wall statues of Lord Muruga with Idumban, Markandeya, Anandhasayanam etc., are found. Statues on the walls are few in number but they show good workmanship. They have been the products of renovation done in 1942. The credit of the renovation should go to the trustee Muthuvelappi Gounder. The temple has been remodelled at the time of the renovation providing good ventilation.

Fire walking in the last week of Margazhi (January) is the important annual festival. It is roughly estimated that a crowd of 50,000 persons attend this festival. As a part of this festival, the deity is taken in procession to Gopichettipalayam in a palanquin made of flowers. Besides this annual festival, devotees come in large numbers on Fridays and New Moon days.

Kondam or the spot where fire walking takes place is 60 feet in length. Twenty to twenty five cart loads of firewood are piled and kindled. About 5,000 persons including men, women and children participate in this fire walking. It is said that before independence, the then British Government wanted to discourage this festival. With that motive, it appears that lac was ordered to be poured into the fire. However, the devotees noticed a lizard creeping over the fire and taking this as an expression of the wish of the goddess not to get discouraged, they started their fire walking and to their surprise, found themselves to be free from the effect of lac, or fire. It is also said that an Englishman became doubtful about the genuineness of the fire walking and therefore was examining the fire walking with a power



A view of the Mariamman temple, Banneri.



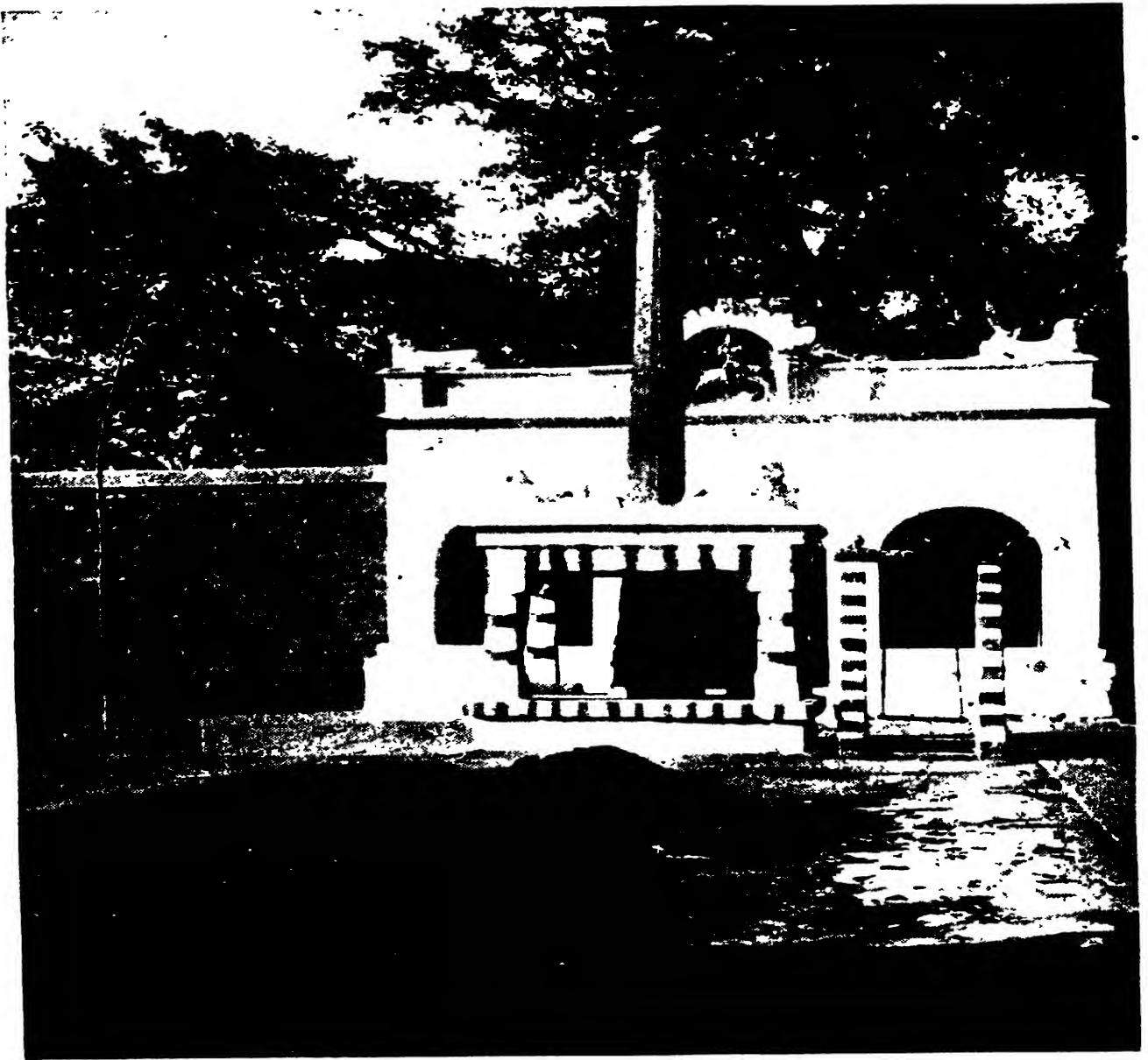
Kondattu Kaliamman temple, Periyur. A view of the entrance.



The idol of Kondathu Kaliyamman.



Dwarapalikai in Kondathu Kalliamman temple.



**Kondam where fire walking takes place at the annual festival.**

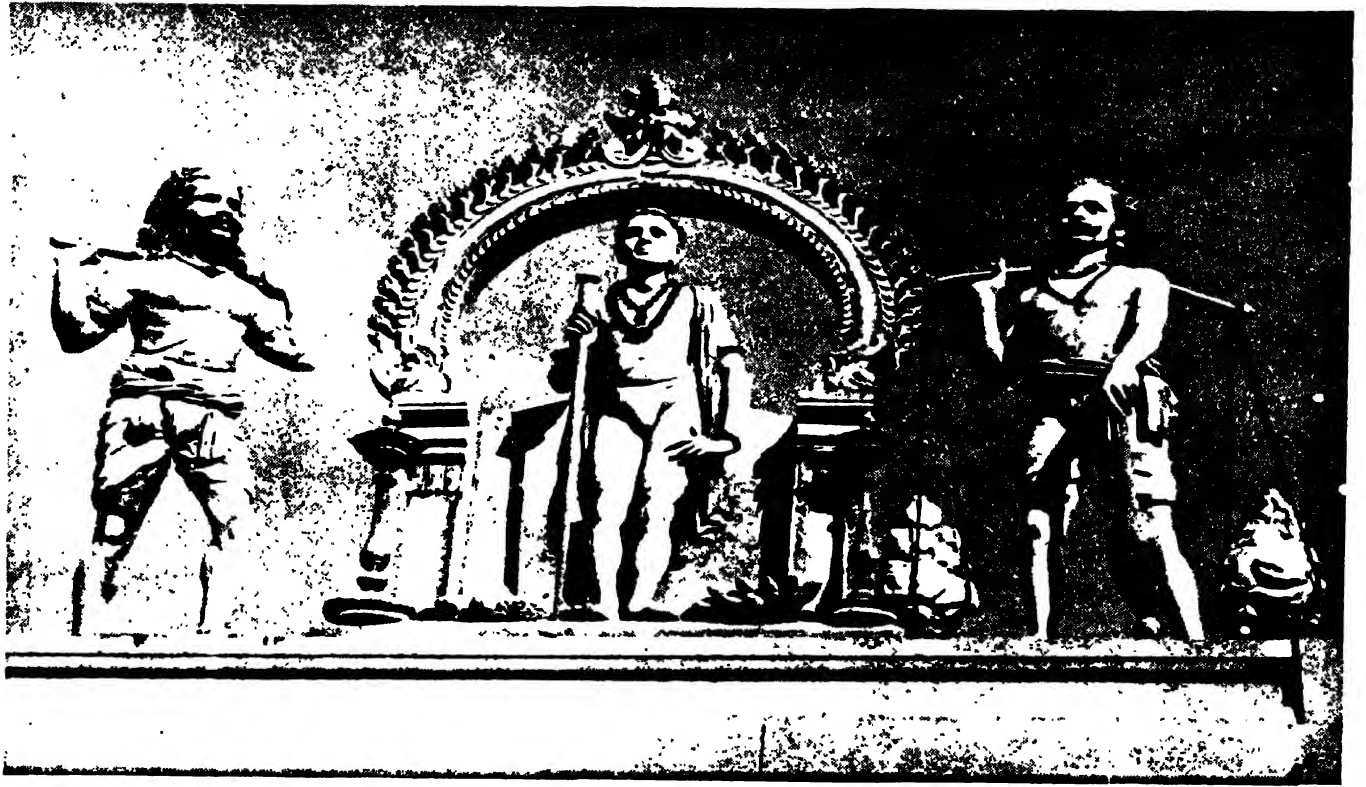


Vishnu reclining on Adishesha -- An attractive sculpture on the wall in the Kaliamman temple.

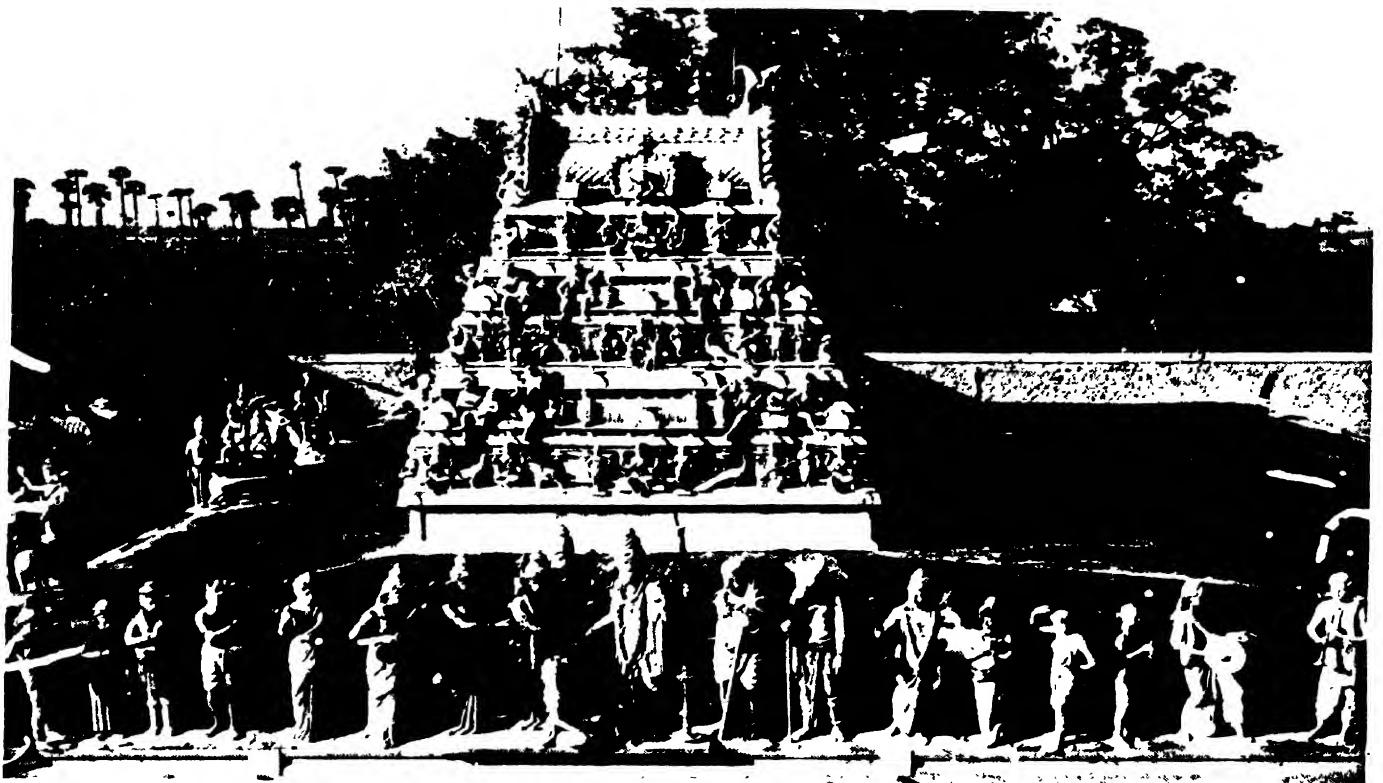


Markandeya—Another sculpture.



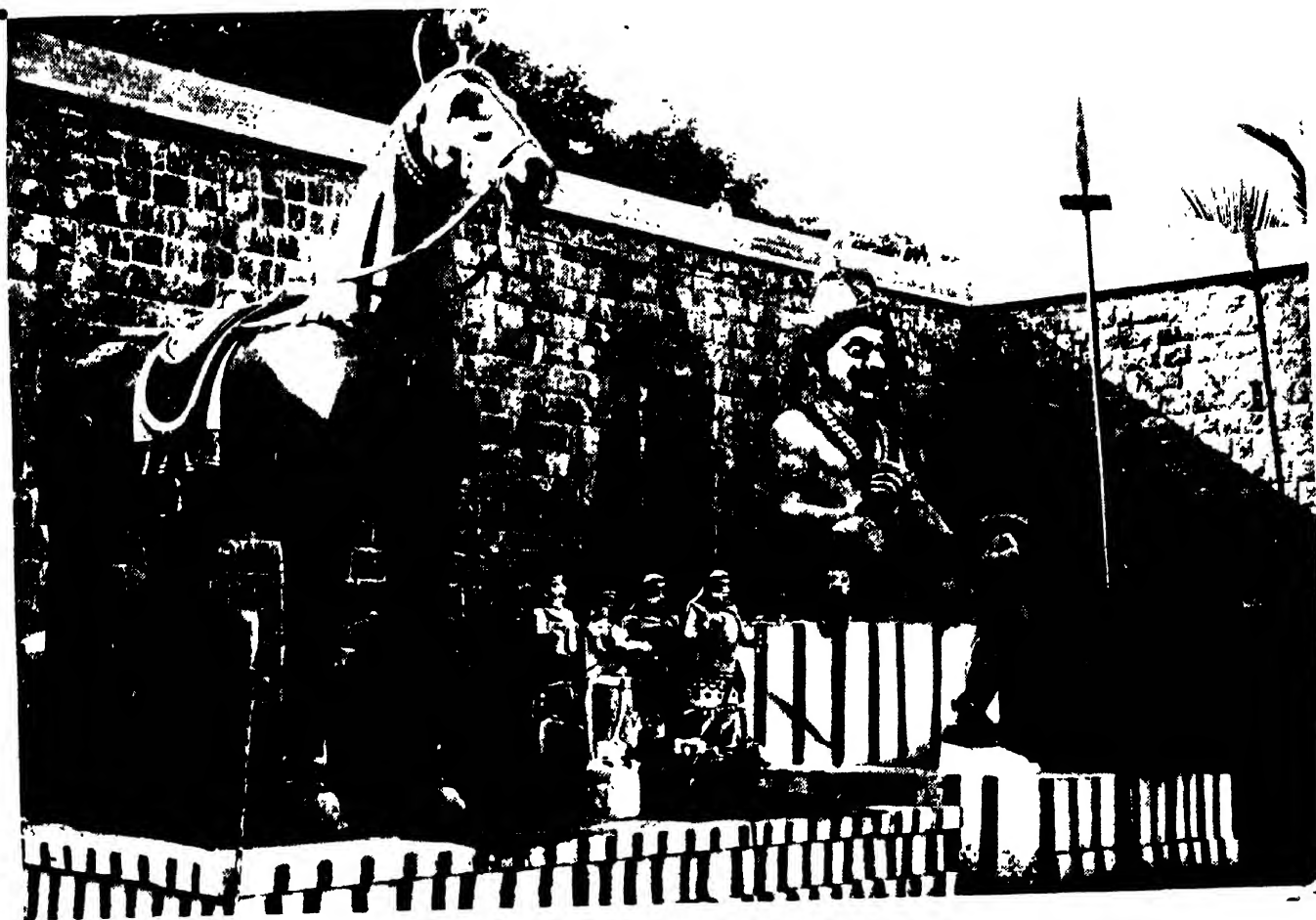


Muruga and Idumban -- Another attractive sculpture.



Marriage of Lord Siva — Another sculpture on the wall





Another sculpture in the prakaram — Kondathu Kalliamman temple.



An aerial view of Subrahmanya Swami Temple, Chennimalai.

glass and felt the presence of goddess, but was blindfolded. However on realising his mistake in undermining the faith involved and praying for excuse, his eye sight was restored. Gobi Chetty Pillan and Muthukumaran had the privilege of getting wealth and sword respectively by the grace of Goddess Kali

The temple has two acres of wet land, which is normally leased out. Annual hundi collection amounts to Rs 3,500. The temple is managed by a Board of three trustees and an Executive Officer.

## 68 BHAVANISAGAR

### Thanda Naicken Kottai temples

The Moyar joins the Bhavani at the foot of the eastern slope of the Nilgiris. At their confluence flourished in the days of yore a fort reputed as "the subduer of the Nilgiris". This fortress, Thanda Naicken Kottai (Fort of Thanda Naicken) is submerged by the Lower Bhavani Project which is about five miles below the confluence.

Built in the latter half of the thirteenth century by Perumal Thanda Naicken who was the general of the Hoysala King Narasimha III (Veera Ballala III according to another source) ruler of Kongu Nadu, the one comprising Coimbatore and Salem districts and certain adjoining areas of Mysore, the fort was of strategic importance under the Hoysalas and the Nayakas, commanding all the passes from the plains to the table land of Mysore. During the Muslim interlude of the Mysore suzerainty in the eighteenth century there was an engagement very close to this fort in the III Mysore war between Tipu Sultan and Colonel Floyd. According to British chroniclers Narasimha III is said to have reconquered Kongu Nadu from the Pandyas and the inscription at Perur, a place 5 miles from Coimbatore and famous for its ancient temple says that Veera Chikka Kethayya, son of Veera Madhava Thanda Naicken built the Madhava Perumal Temple and endowed it with the revenue of thirteen villages. Madhava or Madappa Danaicken was the son of Perumal Thanda Naicken, the founder of the fort. This temple was a little away from the main fortress and the workmanship exhibited the superb skill of the stone masons and stone cutters of those days. Some of the inscriptions on this temple were Canarese. Within the fort, there were three temples dedicated to Sri Someswaraswami, Sri Mangalam-pika and Sri Veera-

bhadraswami. Tradition has it that the Prathishta (installation) in the Iswara temple was done by Sage Darvasa during the time of King Janamejaya. All these temples were protected by the Ancient Monument Protection Act.

As a result of the Lower Bhavani Project, all these temples are now submerged in the reservoir. The Government of Madras constituted a committee to build new temples to replace the submerged ones and placed at its disposal a compensation amount and also a piece of land in the township of Bhavanisagar. The committee removed the idols from the ancient temples and built five new temples in one and the same compound in the site given free by the Government. The Ashtabandhana Mahakumbhabhishegam of the temples was performed on the 27th August, 1953.

The vigraham of Madhava Perumal has one of the arms broken. The committee, therefore, resolved to install a new idol in the new temple. About a week after this decision, the Chairman of the committee had a mishap and his arm was broken. Further inquiries revealed that the vigraham of Madhava Perumal when it was installed in the 13th century was found in the same condition with its arm broken. When the original builder thought of replacing the idol, it seems he had a dream when God Madhava appeared and instructed him not to change the vigraham. And so it has continued till this date - the idol being nicknamed 'Mondi Madhavan'. The committee when they heard of this tradition, decided to instal the same vigraham thus reversing their previous decision.

Driving into Bhavanisagar from Coimbatore via Mettupalayam, one can see on the right, close to the main canal, the new location of the temples. The Madhavaraya Perumal with consort Lakshmi, the Sri Someswar with His consort Mangalanayagi, Sri Vinayaga, Sri Subramania, Sri Veerabhadraswami, Sri Brahma and Sri Adi Sakthi temples are all housed in the same compound after their shift from the area submerged by the waterspread.

The ruins in the waterspread are now the lairs of crocodiles (which the Bhavani abounds in) as witnessed by the spoon of these reptiles and their young all over inside the temples. In bright sunny weather some of the creatures could be seen basking on the capes and promontories in the waterspread. But a spot is still the seat of "the Subduer of the Nilgiris".

TEMPLES OF MADRAS STATE  
GOPICHETTIPALAYAM

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religion</b>								
1	1	Arulavadi (P)	Arulavadi	Sri Venugopalswamy temple (V)	...	...	...	...
2	15	Kongahalli (V)	Kongahalli	Sri Mallikarjuna-swamy temple (V)	400	0.50	Sri Mallikarjuna-swamy	Chamataja-nagaram Railway station 24 miles
3	19	Hassanur (V)	Hassanur	Sri Kumbeswara-swamy temple (S)	100	1.00	Sri Kumbeswara	Chamataja-nagaram Railway station 20 miles
4	26	Chikkarasam-palayam (M.P.)	Chikkarasam-palayam	Sri Banneri Mari-amman temple (F)	Not Known	2.00	Sri Mariamman	Mettupalayam Railway station 32 miles
5	27	Ikkanegamam (M.P.)	Ikkanegamam	Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	200	0.75	Sri Kari Kaliyamman	Erode Railway station 40 miles
6				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Mariamman	
7				Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.10	Sri Karivarada-rajaperumal	
8	28	Satyamanga-lam (P)	Sathyamanga-lam	Sri Vanya Pillayar temple (G)	70	0.04	Sri Vinayagar	Mettupalayam Railway station 28 miles
		do	do	Sri Gnana Mantapa Anjaneyar temple (O)	80	0.05	Sri Anjancyswami	Mettupalayam Railway station 28 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
34)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4,531		Extent not stated				5,000	Tiger	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Kundam Festival	...	No
50)	...	...	...	16.22	...	...	Tiger Car	Once a day by a hereditary Lingayathar	Navarathri Ugadhi Sivarathri Gowri Nonbu	...	No
157 + 03	...	...	...	Shops	81,421	...	Prabhai Palanquin Lion Chapparam (All in silver)	Thrice a day by an Okkaliyar	Sivarathri Kundam in Panguni Karthigai Deepam Navarathri Ugadhi	...	No
	...	9.00	...	...	...	50	Horse Elephant Serpent	Once a day by a Pandaram	}	No	No
55	...	2.00	...	...	...	...	...	do			
	...	3.00	...	...	...	250	...	Once a day by a Brahmin			
527	...	...	...	House	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,262	1.92	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a Madhwa Rao	Maga Bagula Panchami in February Navarathri Ugadhi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	28	Satyamangalam (P)	Satyamangalam	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	51	0.10	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Mettupalayam Railway station 28 miles
11		do	do	Sri Venugopalaswamy temple (V)	Not Known	1.00	Sri Venugopalaswami	Mettupalayam Railway station 27 miles
12		do	do	Sri Meenakshi Sundareswarar temple (S)	5	0.25	Sri Meenakshi Sundareswarar	Mettupalayam Railway station 39 miles
13		Kempnaickenpalayam (M.P.)	Sellipalayam (Kempnaickenpalayam)	Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)	70	0.50	Sri Badrakaliyamman	L.ode Railway station 45 miles
14	32	Koduveri (M.P.)	Periyakoduvari	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	75	0.04	Sri Vigneswarar	Mettupalayam Railway station 30 miles
15				Sri Hanumantharoyar temple (O)			Sri Anjaneyaswami	
16		do	do	Sri Chenroyaperumal temple (V)	100	0.12	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Mettupalayam Railway station 30 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

9,227	2.00	...	...	Houses-7 Shops-3 Vacant land 0.05 Garden 0.05	...	10,376	Rishabham Lion Elephant Horses-2 Serpent Kadayam	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Ugadhi Thai Poosam Tamil New Years day Gokulashtami Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
11,201	...	...	...	Shops Buildings Vacant sites	...	...	...	Once a day by an Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sivarathri Kundam Arudra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	Yes
1,719	2.75	...	...	...	9,438	...	Horse Swan Rishabham	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	171 to 172 of 1910	...
312	...	...	...	6.95	...	...	Horse	Once a week by a Pandaram	Anuman Nonbu Festival in April	...	...
989	...	...	...	3.94	...	5	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	...
1,091	1.46	14.70	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Gokulashtami Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	...

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**GOPICHETTIPALLYAM**

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
17	33	Elur (M.P.)	Pullappanai-cken palayam	Sri Thandu Mari- amman temple (F)	Not Known	0.05	Sri Thandu Mari- amman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
18				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
19	„	do	do	Sri Singapidariamman temple (F)	100	0.15	Sri Singapidari- amman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
20	„	do	Venkatapuram (Pullappa- naicken- palayam)	Sri Thambiran (O) Sri Vinayagar (G) Sri Mariamman Sri Mahaliamman (F) temples	Not Known	Below 0.05	Sri Thambiran Sri Pillayar Sri Mariamman Sri Mahali- amman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
21	36	Vaniputhur (M.P.)	Vaniputhur (Kovil- palayam)	Sri Karivaradaswamy temple (V)	200	0.03	Sri Karivarada- rajaperumal	Erode Railway station 32 miles
22	„	do	do	Sri Badrakaliamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.50	Sri Badrakali- amman	
23	„	do	do	Sri Kumaraswamy temple (M)	200	0.50	Sri Kumarar	
24	40	Nanjaitho- rayam- palayam (V)	Nanjai- thorayam- palayam	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Kariakali- amman	Erode Railway station
25	41	Kondayam- palayam (M.P.)	Kondayam- Palayam	Sri Ponmalai Andavar temple (M)	200	0.14	Sri Andavar	Erode Railway station
26	42	Kanakkam- palayam (M.P.)	Kanakkam- palayam	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	300	0.12	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Erode Railway station 32 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

350	0.78	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a week by a Naicker	No	...	No
								Once a day by a Pandaram			
360	1.92	...	...	...	...	500	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
500	1.92	6.00	...	...	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Thambiran Thiruvizha in Chithirai	...	No
	...	11.55	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
1,421	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
	...	21.00	...	...	...	...	Chapparam Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
750	1.22	...	...	...	...	500	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
3,010	...	30.00	...	...	...	...	Horse Peacock Ratham Suran	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Poosam	...	Yes
4,264	4.30	214.32	...	...	...	75	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Gokulashtami	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religion</b>								
27	45	Savundapuram (M.P.)	Savundapuram	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Sellandiamman	Erode Railway station 24 miles
28	48	Pariyurgramam (M.P.)	Pariyurgramam	Sri Kondathu Kali- amman temple (F)	Not Known	0.19	Sri Kondathu- kalamman	Erode Railway station. 28 miles
29				Sri Amarapaneeswarar temple (S) Sri Adhinarayana Perumal temple (V) Sri Angalamman temple (F)	500	1.25	Sri Amarapaneeswarar Sri Adinarayana Perumal Sri Angalamman	
30	51	Nanjaipulam-patti (M.P.)	Nanjaipulam patti	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.35	Sri Karivaradarajaperumal	Erode Railway station 24 miles
31	55	Kasipalayam (M.P.)	Thadapalli	Sri Kariakalamman temple (F)	77	1.25	Sri Karia Kali- amman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
32	..	do	do	Sri Karavelur Mari- amman temple (F)	40	Not stated	Sri Karuvalur Mari- amman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
33	56	Thadapallikarai (V)	Thadapallikarai	Sri Chenroyaperumal temple (V)	Not Known	0.15	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Erode Railway station 30 miles
34	57	Akkaraikoduvarai (M.P.)	Akkaraikoduvarai	Sri Chenroyaswamy temple (V)	150	0.50	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Erode Railway station 34 miles
35	58	Odayagoundanpalayam (M.P.)	Odayagoundanpalayam	Sri Kariakalamman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Karia Kalamman	Erode Railway station 26 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

6,955	12.55	8.53	.	...	...	10	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
	2.00	...	...	Shops-2	32,129	...	Cars-2 Chakadar Bhootham Horse Chapparam Silver Lion	Five times a day by a Poosari	Navarathri Kundam Ther Thiruvizha	...	No
23,280	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
7,794	12.00	...	...	...	...	250	.	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
607	3.64	...	...	...	...	600	Ratham Bhootham Elephant Horse Lion Kamadhenu	Four times a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
1,898	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
400	...	4.11	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
3,892	...	...	...	14.66	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	...	...	...	10.15	...	100	Lion	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
36	61	Indiampalayam (M.P.)	Indiampalayam Arasur	Sri Badrakaliamman <i>alias</i> Sri Palladathamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Palladathamman	Erode Railway station 35 miles
37	62	Hariappampalayam (M.P.)	Periyur	Sri Mahaliamman temple (F)	55	1.00	Sri Mahaliamman	Mettupalayam Railway station
38	62	do	Palayakaliya-noor	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Sellandiamman	Mettupalayam Railway station
39	64	Akkarai Negamam (M.P.)	Akkarai Negamam	Sri Venkataramanaswamy temple (S)	Not known	0.05	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Mettupalayam Railway station 22 miles
40	65	Shenbagapudur (M.P.)	Shenbagapudur	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	120	0.50	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 30 miles
41	65	do	do	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)		1.00	Sri Kariakaliamman	
42	66	Uthandiyur (M.P.)	Uthandiyur	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Mettupalayam Railway station 22 miles
43	68	Bhavanisagar	Bhavanisagar	Sri Someswaraswamy temple (S)	Not Known	0.35	Sri Someswaraswami	Mettupalayam Railway station 22 miles
44				Sri Veerabhadraswamy temple (S)			Sri Veerabhadraswami	
45				Sri Madhavaroya Perumal temple (V)			Sri Madhavaroya Perumal	
46				Sri Lakshmi Amman temple (F)			Sri Lakshmi amman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)</b>											
500	6'00	...	...	...	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
6,789	14'19	...	...	...	...	100	Horses-3 Elephant Lion Palanquin Car	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Kundam Car Festival in Panguni	...	No
500	...	9'70	...	...	...	...	Lion Horse Vimanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
3,410	9'19	7'72	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Battachariar	No	...	No
1,021	...	...	...	7'59	...	...	Palanquin	Thrice a week by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	8'17	...	300	Horse	Thrice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
960	...	...	...	27'33	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi Thiruvathirai Navarathri	...	No
								Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	436-442 of 1906	
1,956	...	...	...	38'53	...	50	Rishabham Garuda	Twice a day by a Bhattachariar  Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	445-446 of 1906	

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
47	68	Bhavanisagar	Mudukkanthurai	Sri Basaveswara-swamy temple (S)	300	0.05	Sri Basaveswara-swamy	Coimbatore Railway station 40 miles
48	71	Periakallipatti (M.P.)	Periakallipatti	Sri Mathiappuriamman temple (F)	100	0.30	Sri Mathiappuriamman	Erode Railway station
49				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	
50	72	Panayamballi (M.P.)	Maliampatti	Sri Bhagavathiamman temple (F)	100	0.06	Sri Bhagavathiamman	Mettupalayam Railway station
51	74	Nallur (M.P.)	Nallur	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	45	0.20	Sri Vinayagar	Erode Railway station
52	„	do	Pudupalayam	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	Not known	0.20	Sri Badrakali- amman	Erode Railway station
53	„	do	Nallur	Sri Kariakali- amman temple (F)	100	0.80	Sri Kariakali- amman	do
54	75	Dasaripalayam (M.P.)	Dasaripalayam	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Erode Railway station 43 miles
55				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
56	78	Sundakkampalayam (M.P.)	Sundakkampalayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.20	Sri Vinayagar	Erode Railway station 39 miles
57				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

250 •	...	7.00	.	...	..	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Ingavath	No	..	No
350	.	13.59	.	..	.	Value not stated	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
1,287	.	21.81	..	...	...	600	Chapparam Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathurai	..	No
411	...	..	5.75	..	..	..	Bandicoot	Once a day by a Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
500 •	...	6.61	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
500	1.19	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri	...	No
882 •	0.75	8.25	...	...	...	411	Lion	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Maha Sivarathri Nanda deepam Karthigai Deepam Navarathri	...	No
880	...	4.18	...	..	• ...	150	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri Arudra Dharisanam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
58	78	Sundakkam-palayam (M.P.)	Sundakkam-palayam	Sri Paramasivan temple (S)	200		Sri Paramasivan	Erode Railway station 39 miles
59	80	Andipalayam (M.P.)	Andipalayam	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Angalamman	Erode Railway station
60	..	do	do	Sri Nataroyaswami temple (S)	Not known	0.10	Sri Nataroyaswami	Erode Railway station
61	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.03	Sri Vinayagar	Mangalam Railway station 16 miles
62				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
63	81	Kadathur (M.P.)	Kadathur	Sri Kariakalamman temple (F)		Not stated	Sri Kariakalamman	Erode Railway station
64				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
65				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Mariamman	
66				Sri Mathiappanooramman temple (F)		0.01	Sri Mathiappanooramman	
67	..	do	do	Sri Pasuveswarar temple (S)	100	0.25	Sri Pasuveswarar	do
68	83	Kurumandur (M.P.)	Kurumandur	Sri Sooleeswaraswami temple (S)	200	0.05	Sri Sooleeswaraswami	Tiruppur Railway station 30 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,625	...	5.04	...	..	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Arudra Dharisanam Sivarathri	...	...
500	...	4.44	...	..	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a Mudaliar	No	...	No
200	..	4.37	...	...	..	.	...	Once a week by hereditary Gounders	Sivarathri	...	No
101	3.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
400	...	6.00	...	...	...	Value not stated	Vimanam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
600	...	...	...	13.90	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
488	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Arudra Dharisanam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
69	83	Kurumandur (M.P.)	Kurumandur	Sri Poonguzhaliamman temple (F)	100	0.30	Sri Poonguzhaliamman	Erode Railway station
70				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
71	85	Alukkuli (M.P.)	Alukkuli	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar temple (G)		0.25	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar	Erode Railway station 25 miles
72			Moolavaikka	Sri Kumarasubramaniaswami temple (M)	100	0.04	Sri Kumarasubramaniaswami	Erode Railway station 23 miles
73	86	Kalingiam (M.P.)	Kalingiam	Sri Alagaroyaperumal temple (V)	200	0.25	Sri Alagaroya Perumal	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles
74		do	do	Sri Kariakalihamman temple (F)	200	0.35	Sri Kariakalihamman	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles
75	87	Lakkampatti (M.P.)	Nallagoundampalayam	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	75	0.46	Sri Venupopalaswami	Erode Railway station
76	88	Gopichettipalayam (M)	Gopichettipalayam	Sri Kolandai Velayudhaswami temple (M)	80	0.30	Sri Kolandai Velayudaswami	Erode Railway station 24 miles
77			do	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	100	0.08	Sri Varadarajaswami	Erode Railway station 28 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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615	...	27.98	...	...	...	..	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
350	1.13	...	...	...	...	.	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
300	...	2.50	.	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
2,000	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhatta-chariar	No	.	No
2,561	...	...	...	32.42	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
2,915	8.67	...	...	Vacant land plots-3	...	300	Chapparam	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	No	...	No
3,149	5.36	...	...	...	...	608	Peacock Horse Chapparam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Skandasashti Thaipoozam Panguni Uthiram Dhanur month Festival	...	No
1,259	...	...	...	...	...	500	Horse Elephant Bhootham	Twice a day by an Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Gokulashtami	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
78	88	Gopichetti-palayam (M)	Gopichetti-palayam	Sri Vasavakannika-parameswari temple (F)	100	Not stated	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Erode Railway station 28 miles
79		do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.50	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 24 miles
80		do	Veerapandi	Sri Visalakshi Sametha Visweswaraswami temple (S)	90	1.00	Sri Visalakshi Sametha Visweswarar	Erode Railway station 25 miles
81		do	Veerapandi-pudupalayam	Sri Vanniakula Kshatriya Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.06	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 23 miles
82		do	Gopichetti-palayam (Hanumantharoyal street)	Sri Anjaneyaswamy alias Mukyapranaswamy temple (S)	100	0.10	Sri Anjaneyaswamy	Erode Railway station 24 miles
83		do	Gopichetti-palayam	Sri Sakthi Vinayagar temple (G)	30	Below 0.01	Sri Sakthi Vinayagar	Erode Railway station 23 miles
84	89	Modachur (Part M.P.)	Modachur	Sri Pachamalai Subramaniaswamy temple (M)	500	Not stated	Sri Balasubramaniyar	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles
85	89	do	do	Sri Someswaraswamy temple (S)	500	0.75	Sri Someswarar	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

3,803				House-9 Shops-8	Value not stated	...	...	...	...	No
3,884	9.59			Shops-12	5,400	Horse Lion Bhootham Car Chapparam	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam		No
9,444	8.86			House-1	14,693.36	Cars Rishabham Chakadai	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Arudra Dharisanam Car Festival Avani Moolam		No
308			0.75	...	3,713	Horse Lion Chakadai	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Panguni		No
1,916	22.33			5.09	...	Hanuman	Twice a day by a Madhwa	Sri Rama- navami Navarathri Hanumantha Jayanthu Vijaya Dasami		No
				Shops-3	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No		No
239				10.81		Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram		No
2,190				28.98	50	Rishabham	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Arudra Dharisanam Navarathri		No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
86	89	Modachur Patt (M.P.)	Modachur	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	500	0.40	Sri Lakshminarayana-perumal	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles
87		do	do	Sri Thanthomiamman temple (F)	500	0.75	Sri Thanthomiamman	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles
88	90	Nadhipalayam (M.P.)	Nadhipalayam	Sri Thimmaroya-swamy temple (S)	100	0.05	Sri Thimmaroya Perumal	Erode Railway station 23 miles
89	92	Vellalapalayam (M.P.)	Pavalamalai	Sri Muthukumara-swamy temple (S)	Not Known	0.25	Sri Subramania-swamy	Erode Railway station 24 miles
90	93	Kugalur (M.P.)	Kugalur	Sri Mathyapureeswarar temple (S)	100	4.00	Sri Mathyapureeswaraswami	Erode Railway station 24 miles
91		do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Alaganachiamman	Erode Railway station 22 miles
92		do	do	Sri Komalikkari Selliamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Selliamman	Erode Railway station 22 miles
93	95	Perundalaiyur (M.P.)	Perundalaiyur	Sri Magileswaraswamy temple (S)	100	0.98	Sri Magileswarar	Erode Railway station 17 miles
94				Sri Varadarajaswamy temple (V)		0.30	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

313	..	...	..	12 90	..	..	.	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Gokulashtami Sri Rama-navami	.	No
200	.	.	.	13 03	..	200	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Margazhi Navarathri	.	No
710	.	630	.	.	.	.	.	Once a week by an Asari	No	.	No
2,597	.	.	.	51 79	..	..	.	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	Adi Kruthigai Thaipooosam Panguni-Uthram	.	No
6,733	..	.	..	50 98	26,039 14	..	Silver Rishabham Peacocks-3 Lion Garuda Horse Rishabhams-3 Bandicoot Bhootham	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai Thaipooosam	469 to 472 of 1913	.
2,761	.	.	Extent not stated	.	..	..	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
600	..	.	...	9 01	..	..	.	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	.	No
789	...	..	...	...	..	Value not stated	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudra Dharisanam	298-299 and 370-379 of 1954-55	.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
95	95	Perundalai-yur (M. P.)	Perundalai-yur	Sri Ponnachiamman temple (F)	500	0.50	Sri Ponnachiamman	Erode Railway station 17 miles
96				Sri Kannimar temple (F)			Sri Kannimar	
97	96	P. Mettupalayam	Mettupalayam	Sri Unjaladi Pattappa-swamy temple (S)	100	0.30	Sri Pattappa-swami	Erode Railway station 17 miles
98	100	Vellankoil	Vellankoil	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 20 miles
99				Sri Kariakalamman temple (F)			Sri Kariakalamman	Erode Railway station 20 miles
100	„	do	do	Sri Nanjundeeswarar temple (S)	Not Known	0.25	Sri Nanjundeeswarar	Erode Railway station 20 miles
101	102	Kolappalur (M.P.)	Kolappalur	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.69	Sri Kari Varadarajaperumal	Uthukkuli Railway station 16 miles
102				Sri Pachamayaki amman temple (F)			Sri Pachamayaki amman	
103	103	Thalguni	Thalguni	Sri Alagaroya perumal temple (V)	125	0.05	Sri Alagaroya Perumal	Erode Railway station 25 miles



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Lipigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Repor- ted by temple				Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

8,726	9.91	5.07	...	..	..	Value not stated	Car Lion Bootham Horse Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Rathotsavam in Panguni Navarathri	...	No
700	...	..	...	2.50	...	...		Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Adi	..	No
500	...	7.15	...	...	...	...		Twice a week by a hereditary Nadar	Amman Festival in Ippasi	...	No
200	...	9.73	...	..	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No
755	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	Cars-2 Elephant Lion Horse Bootham Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Margazhi	...	No
1,520	...	5.12	...	24.69	...	20	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Ramanavami Vaikunta Ekadasi Gokulashtami Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Ugadhi Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
104	105	Koshanam (M.P.)	Koshanam	Sri Natarajaswamy temple (S)	Not Known	0.50	Sri Nattaroya-swami	Uthukkuli Railway station 20 miles
105	..	do	do	Sri Pachamaechi amman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Pachainayaki amman	do
106	..	do	do	Sri Rangaswamy Perumal temple (V)	200	0.30	Sri Rangaswamy Perumal	Uthukkuli Railway station 19 miles
107	..	do	Thittamalai	Sri Kumaraswamy alias Subramanyaswamy temple (M)	200	0.25	Sri Kumaraswamy	Uthukkuli Railway station 20 miles
108	106	Elathur (M.P.)	Elathur	Sri Soleeswaraswamy temple (S)	200	0.39	Sri Thiruvikrama-cholceswara-swami	Tiruppur Railway station 25 miles
109	..	do	do	Sri Anayakumara-swami temple (M)	400	0.70	Sri Anayakumara-swami	Tiruppur Railway station 26 miles
110	..	do	do	Sri Kariakali amman temple (F)	500	1.05	Sri Kariakali amman	do
111	107	Anjanur (M.P.)	Irugalur	Sri Pongiathayyan temple (O)	Not known	0.01	Sri Pongiathayyan	Mangalam Railway station 19 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
200	...	...	...	5.52	...	10	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Masi Sivarathri	...	No
300	...	11.46	...	...	...	...	Horse Cradle	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Agni Thirunal in Margazhi	...	No
356	...	...	...	15.59	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi Gokulashtami	...	No
1,041	...	50.76	...	...	...	150	Horse Rathams-2 Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipooasam Panguni Uthiram Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
795	...	...	...	26.07	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Sivarathri Arudra Dharisanam	...	Yes
750	...	...	...	6.39	...	30	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	Festival celebrated once in two years	...	No
551	...	...	...	16.42	...	100	Chapparam Lion Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Ugadhri Vijayadasami Sivarathri Agnikundam Arudra Dharisanam Car Festival Karthigai Deepam	...	No
15 183	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Nadar	Festival in Vaikasi every alternate	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
112	111	Punjaipuliam-patti (M.P.)	Punjai Puliam-patti	Sri Uthukalamman temple (F)	300	0.05	Sri Uthukkuli- amman	Tiruppur Railway station 22 miles
113	"	do	Punjai Puliam-patti (Koilpudur)	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	500	1.00	Sri Venugopala- swamy	do
114	"	do	do	Sri Dhandayudhapani temple (M)	27	0.75	Dandayudapani- swami	do
115	"	do	do	Sri Muthuvina- yagar temple (G)	50	0.01	Sri Muthuvina- yagar	Tiruppur Railway station 26 miles
116				Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	20	Below 0.01	Sri Kamakshi- amman	
117	115	Emmampoondi	Sarakattu- palayam	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeeswari- amman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Ramalinga- chowdeeswari amman	1-rode Railway station 39 miles
118	116	Olalakoil (M.P.)	Malayam- palayam	Sri Uthayagiri Muthu Velayudhaswamy temple (M)	400	0.50	Sri Muthuvela- yudhaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 14 miles
119				Sri Venkataramana- swamy temple (S)	200	0.50	Sri Venkatara- manaswamy	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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279	...	...	...	3.66	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,605	...	39.23	...	...	...	515.50	Chapparam Palanquin Horse Garuda Anjaneya	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Sri Jayanti Navarathri Vijayadasami Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
2,066	1.50	16.70	...	...	...	1,088	Horse Peacock Bandicoot	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Vinayaka Chathurthi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thaiposam Mahasivarathri Panguni Uthiram	...	No
1,239	...	...	...	Buildings-2 Vacant lands	...	250	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi Mahasivarathri	...	No
1,650	1.50	9.00	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a Chettiar	Masi Maham Sankaranthi Navarathri	...	No
Dastic allowance 374	...	...	...	...	...	500	Rathams-2 Chapparams-2 Chakadai	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal  Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Thai Poosam Arudra Rharisanam Navarathri Panguni Uthiram Skandasashti	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
120	117	Nambiyur (M.P.)	Kidari	Sri Karaivarnaperumal temple (V)	Not Known	Below 0.10	Sri Karaivanna Perumal	Mangalathu Railway station 25 miles
121	„	do	Nambiyur	Sri Thiruvikrama-swamy temple (V)	200	0.10	Sri Thiruvikrama-manarayanan	do
122				Sri Thanthoniamman temple (F)			Sri Thanthoni Eswarar	
123	118	Gettucheyur (M.P.)	Gettichayur	Sri Thanthoniamman temple (F)	200	0.75	Sri Thanthoni amman	Uthukkuli Railway station 13 miles
124	„	do	Pappankattuchalai	Sri Pongiathayyan temple (O)	40	0.25	Sri Pongia-thayyan	Uthukkuli Railway station 22 miles
125	119	Siruvalur (M.P.)	Siruvalur	Sri Sooleeswaraswamy temple (S)	350	0.15	Sri Sooleeswara-swami	Erode Railway station 22 miles
126				Sri Adi Narayana Perumal temple (V)		0.12	Sri Adinarayana Perumal	
127				Sri Pachainayagi-amman temple (F)		0.20	Sri Pachainayagi-amman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

200	...	11.27	..	...	..	..	..	Once a week by a Bhattachariar	No	..	No
								Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadesi	...	No
1,194	...	...	..	10.68 Shops-2	...	..	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	202 to 207 of 1909	...
Dastic allowance 400	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Thai Arudra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam Navarathri	...	No
5,041	...	...	...	9.96	...	Value not stated	..	Twice a year by a hereditary Moopan	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
								Once a day by a Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam		
455	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	..	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	Gokulashtami	...	No
								Once a day by a Pandaram	Brahmothsavam in Masi		

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	5	Talavadi (V)	Talavadi	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.01	Sri Venugopala-swami	Chamarajanagaram Railway station 12 miles
2	26	Chikkarasam-palayam (Minor panchayat)	Chikkarasam-palayam	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	830	0.16	Sri Varadaraja-swami	Mettupalayam Railway station 22 miles
3	..	do	do	Sri Pudumariamman temple (F)	43	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Mettupalayam Railway station 22 miles
4	28	Sathyaman-galam (P)	Sathyaman-galam	Sri Andavar temple (M)	Not known	0.20	Sri Subramania-swamy	Mettupalayam Railway station 28 miles
5	51	Nanjaipuliam-patti (M.P.)	Nanjaipuliam-patti	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	62	Below 0.01	Sri Venugopala-swami	Erode Railway station 30 miles
6	67	Ihoppam-palayam (M.P.)	Vellalapalayam	Sri Pavalamalai Muthukumara-swami temple (M)	Not known	0.25	Sri Muthu-kumaraswamy	Erode Railway station 24 miles
7	68	Bhavanisagar (T.W.)	Mudukkam-thurai	Sri Parameswara-swami temple (S)	250	0.01	Sri Parameswara-swami	Mettupalayam Railway station 21 miles
8	74	Nallur (M.P.)	Lsangattupalayam	Sri Sulakkal Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.08	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1357 • by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

350	...	...	...	...	...	100	Garuda Anjaneya Sessa, Horse	Poojas performed by a Poosari	Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Ugadhi Ratha-sapthami	...	No
170	..	..	.	9.64	..	..	Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi 18th day Gokulashtami Karthiga Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Ugadhi Sri Ramanavami New Years' Day	...	No
..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
273	11.21	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Sri Ramanavami Gokulashtami Navarathri	...	No
4,000	...	51.79	...	...	..	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Thai Pongal Panguni Uthiram	...	No
600	Extent not stated				...	...	Palanquin	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Pongal Sivarathri	..	No
600	...	2.14	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

**TEMPLES OF MADRAS STATE**  
**GOPICHETTIPALAYAM**

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
9	76	Vinnampalli (M.P.)	Vinnappalli	Sri Adinarayana Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Adinarayana Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 35 miles
10	82	Karattupalayam (M.P.)	Oddarkattupalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Uthukkuli Railway station 30 miles
11	85	Alukkuli (M.P.)	Alukkuli	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not known	1.37	Sri Sellandiamman	Erode Railway station 30 miles
12				Sri Sooleeswaraswami temple (S)			Sri Sooleeswaraswami	
13	88	Gopichettipalayam (M.)	Gopichettipalayam	Sri Mahaliamman temple (F)	150	Not stated	Sri Mahaliamman	Erode Railway station 24 miles
14	96	P. Methupalayam (M)	Kavundampalayam	Sri Kumaraswami temple (M)	200	0.10	Sri Kumaraswami	Erode Railway station 33 miles

## COIMBATORE DISTRICT

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
...	...	5.30	...	...	...	Nil	...	Once a week by a hereditary Sathani	No	106-107 of 1935 -- 1936	...
	...	...	...	1.50 Pujat-kadu	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	Kampan-kattu Festival	...	No
...	...	17.08	...	...	...	...	Rathams-2	Twice a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	43.33	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	...	...	No
100	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	...	...	No
...	...	9.75	...	...	...	...	Palanquin	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Thaipoosam Panguni-Uthiram Surasam-haram	...	No

## ERODE TALUK

### 100. VIJAYAMANGALAM

#### **Sri Jain and Nageswaraswami temple**

Vijayamangalam is a railway station between Erode and Coimbatore. It lies at a distance of about 15 miles from Erode on the trunk road from Madras to Calicut. It was the capital of the Jain King Kongu Velir. He was well versed both in Sanskrit and Tamil literature. His contribution for the growth and development of Tamil literature is referred to in "Kongu Mandala Sadhagam". He advocated Jainism and constructed a Jain Temple some 1,800 years back. Inside the Jain temple, remnants of shrines for Sri Vrushabha-devar and Sri Chandhra Prabha Theerthangarar are found. The front Mandapam of this temple contains statues of five Tamil poets with "Olai Suvadigal" (Palm leaves used for writing) in their hands. However, this temple of historical importance is fast dilapidating without proper care and protection, for want of endowments, income and funds.

Close to Vijayamangalam is the village originally known as Sanagapuram, which subsequently corrupted into Jinapuram and now called as Cheenapuram, where the ancient and famous Sri Adhi Nadhar temple exists. This temple is a remembrance of the famous Bhavanandhi Munivar, the author of "Nannool", who worshipped the deity and maintained it

There are several other smaller Jain temples constructed by King Kongu Velir viz., Thingalur temple, Poondhurai temple and Vellodu temple, which can be seen by pilgrims en route to Cheenapuram, the birth place of Bhavanandhi Munivar. But they are neglected.

Round about 13th century three temples viz., Sri Nageswaraswamy temple, Sri Someswaraswamy temple and Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple sprang up at Vijayamangalam and were patronised by Chola and Pandya Kings. Perhaps this is a countermeasure to check up the rapid spread of Jainism and to encourage the expansion of Hinduism. All the three temples occupy 1 acre, 15 cents and 50 cents respectively. All

the three temples have pagodas while Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal and Sri Nageswaraswamy temples alone have three prakarams each. The Lingam in the Nageswaraswamy temple is a Swayambu one, while the vigrahas in the other two temples are pradhishthanes. In the Nageswaraswamy temple, there are 12 stone pillars, idols of Dwarapalakas and Navagrahas which are of architectural value. There is also a sahasra lingam here, besides an idol of Sri Shanmugha Subramaniam facing south, which is claimed to be a peculiar feature of this temple found nowhere else in the whole of South India.

In olden days, these temples must have been famous. In Thiruppugazh, Saint Arunagirinadhar sang about this place. There are a number of stone inscriptions in Sri Nageswaraswami temple. But at present, all these temples have lost their fame. Poojas are performed twice a day at Nageswaraswami temple, which are practically attended by no devotee. Vijayadhasami and Arudhra Dharisanam are the two one day festivals in a year attended by a few of the local people.

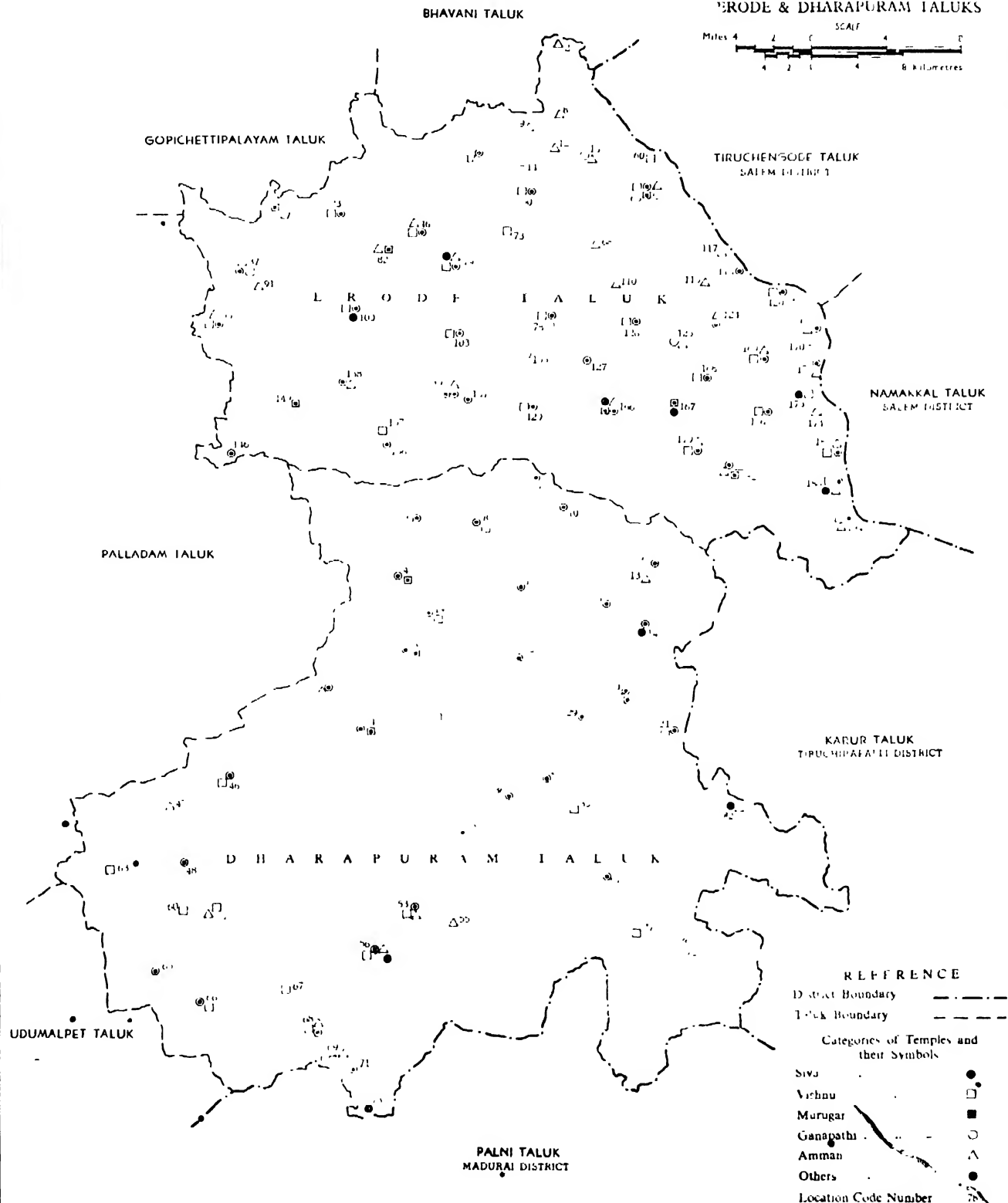
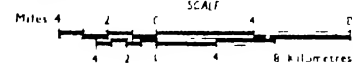
The executive management of these temples is vested in a single trustee, who is appointed by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (Adm.) Dept.

### 133. CHENNIMALAI

#### **Sri Subramaniaswami Temple**

Chennimalai is situated at about 5 miles south of the nearest railway station Ingur and about 18 miles south of Erode, the taluk headquarters. It is an important handloom weaving centre and is well connected by bus. Close to this town is a hill considered to be the abode of Pinnakku Sidhar, one of the 18 famous sidhars of the south, who enjoyed great occult powers and who professed pure monotheism. The hill is surmounted by a temple of Lord Subramania sung by Arunagirinadhar and referred to by Kalamega Pulavar. This ancient temple is visited by

MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN  
ERODE & DHARAPURAM TALUKS



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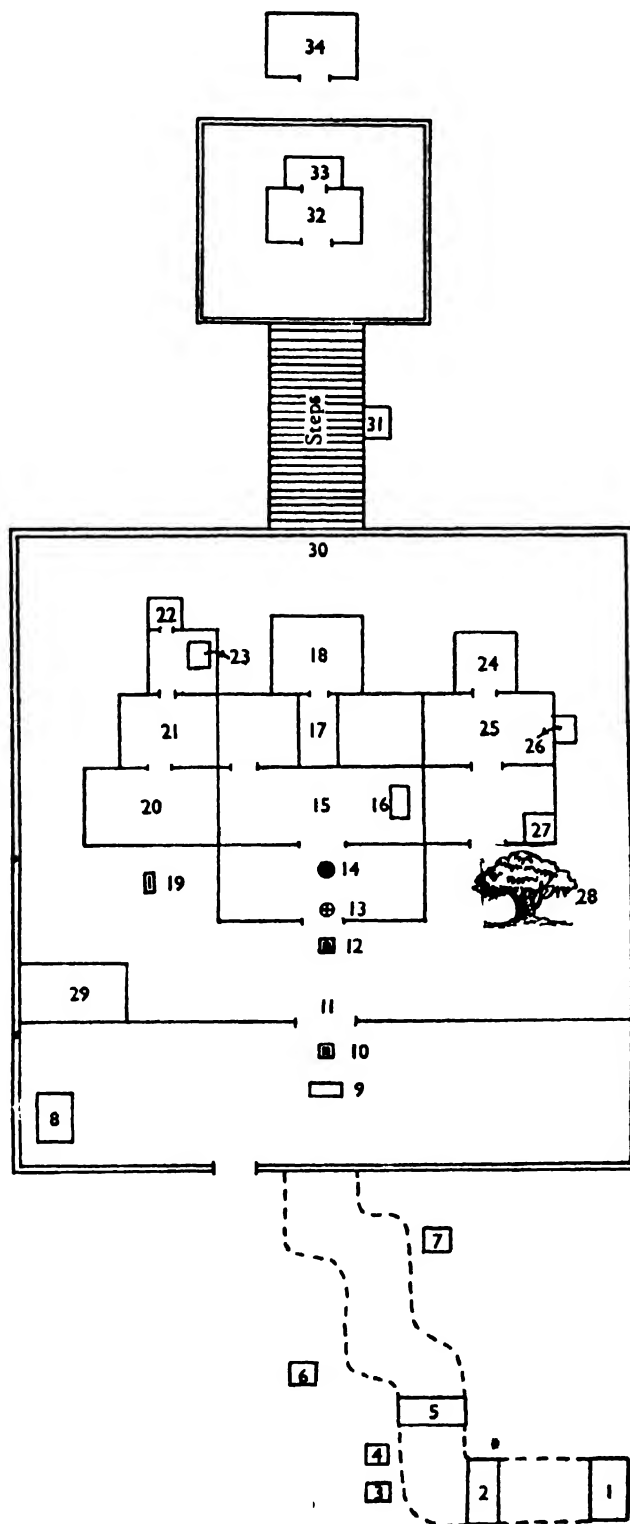
- District Boundary ————
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- Siva ●
- Vishnu □
- Murugar ■
- Ganapathi ○
- Amman △
- Others ●●
- Location Code Number



# SRI CHENNIMALAI ANDAVAR TEMPLE

## CHENNIMALAI

(Not to Scale)



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a large number of people. Sivalaya Cholan, a ruler of Kongu Chola dynasty, is said to have built this temple at the top of the hill to get rid of Brahmahatti (sin of having killed a Brahmin). Lord Muruga is supposed to have taken the form of a priest and performed pooja for the Chola ruler. Subsequent renovations were made by Vijayalaya Cholan, a local chieftain by name Saravana Kangeyan, Elamapalli Zamindars and by public contribution. The hill is about 10 miles in circumference with a height of about 1750 ft. mean sea level.

There is a motorable ghat road on the hill covering a distance of nearly 3 miles. As a part of the recent renovation programme, about 1,000 steps have been laid to climb up the hill. On the way, there is a "Mayil Vahana Koradu", which is said to have been built by a king of Vijayanagar. It is here that the devotees gave their hair (mudi) before commencing their prarthanas. Nearby is the Indhira Vinayagar Sannidhi. He is also known as Nalla Kinatru Vinayagar. Adjacent to this is the Sengazhuneer Pillaiyar temple. To its north is situated a well called Kumara Theertham. To the west of the Indhira Vinayagar temple, there is a tank with foot steps all around. These foot steps were fashioned and gifted by poosari Velala Thambiran of Vettuva Palayam, a staunch devotee of Lord Muruga. This tank is known as Markandeya Theertham. The water in this tank is drawn through a pipe line from top to bottom of the hill for the use of devotees. Beyond the tank there are three Sannidhis for Kadambavaneswarar, Kandhar and Idumbar in a straight row. Further up is the Valliamman Padma Mandapam and Ilaippatri (இலைப்பாற்றி) Mandapam, where the devotees can take shelter and rest. Next comes the sannidhi of Muthukumara Saavan, who is supposed to guard the hill. He is one of the nine heroes and is the son of Muthuvalli. His idol has been designed as a typical hero, with a sword in the neck and another in his waist. Above the Saavan temple is the Sannidhi of Sri Atru Malai Vinayagar, who is also called as Aaththi Vinayagar or (Adhi Vinayagar). Above this shrine is an ancient "Thuratti" tree, with long and small green leaves. It is believed that persons affected by ghosts cannot climb further without the ghosts being driven off by this tree, whereby it came to be called as "Thuratti", which means the driving away of ghosts.

At the top of the hill, there is a small temple for Parasakthi. There are several iron chains, spears and swords here. Criminals who returned after undergoing imprisonment were said to have hung the heads of animals on these spears as their offerings. Adjacent to this, there is a cave. It is said that there used to be a large congregation of devotees and large scale sacrifice of cattle and fowl at this place. After the prohibition of such sacrifice, very few people visit this spot. The cave is said to have an underground path leading to Bhogar Cave at Palni in Madurai district. Within this cave, Saravana Munivar, Pinnakku Siddhar and Sathia Muni lived and performed Yoga. This is also otherwise called as Sri Thannasiappan temple. On the western side of the Parasakthi temple, is the Sannidhi of Pinnakku Sidhar where a Non-Brahmin priest performs pooja.

A few steps below the cave, there is a small shrine for Valli and Deivayanai without their consort. These images are carved on a single stone with a Lingam at the bottom. Kalamega Pulavar has humourously described them as two horns of Chennimalai Andavar. These images symbolise Amirdhavalli and Sundharavalli who, after severe penance, became Valli and Deivayanai and got married to Lord Muruga. The main temple of Chennimalai Andavar is just below this. In front of the main temple, there is a big tamarind tree under which there is an image of Vinayagar. The main temple occupies a space of 165 × 110 sq. ft. The temple faces east and has no gopuram at the entrance. But there are three Vimanams, one over the sanctum sanctorum of the presiding deity and the other two over the sanctums of Viswanathar and Markandeswarar. There is only one prakaram. There is an image for Paravel (Parasakthi) in the front. On the southern prakaram there is a sanctum for Markandeswarar and Imayavalli, on the south west corner for Vinayagar and on the north for Kasi Viswanathar and Visalakshi. Tamarind tree, the Sthala Vruksham is on the eastern side. It is believed to possess a sacred Sandhana Karani (சந்தான கரணி). Barren women offer Mavilakku (மாவிலக்கு) burning of a wick in a lamp made out of flour paste to the deity Valliammai under the tamarind tree.

The image of the presiding deity Chennimalai Andavar is in the form of Dhandapani holding spear

in his right hand and placing his left hand on the hip. The original image of the presiding deity seemed to be Subramaniam with six faces. Once a few of the local elderly men had a dream that the image be replaced by another one with a particular artisan. The artisan raised an objection to hand over his unfinished image and started chiseling but was shocked to find blood spurting out. So without further objection or argument he handed over the existing image of Dhandapani for installation at the temple. Even today, the incomplete work can be noticed between the waist and feet.

There is an interesting anecdote regarding the origin of the hill according to which, there was once a competition between Adhishesha the serpent God and Vayu the wind God as to who was stronger. Adhishesha spread himself over the Himalayas while, Vayu attempted to dislodge Adhishesha. In that process one of the chips fell at Chennimalai which is no other than the local hill. According to the local puranam it was known as Magudagiri in Kritha Yuga and was worshipped by Maha Vishnu; as Kanagagiri in Thretha Yuga and was worshipped by Mahalakshmi; as Pushpagiri in Dwapara Yuga and was worshipped by Ashta Durgas and as Siragiri (as well as Chennimalai) in the present Kaliyuga and was worshipped by Siddhars.

Daily seven poojas are performed in the main hill temple. The chief annual car festival is celebrated in the month of Thai (January-February). However, the festival is not celebrated at the hill top but in Kailasanathar temple, at the foot of the hill. This festival attracts a crowd of nearly two lakhs. Devotees visit the hill mainly on Kirthigai and New Moon days. Both the temples have been constituted into a single Devasthanam and managed by a Board of three trustees and an Executive Officer. In fasli 1375, the Devasthanam had an annual income of Rs. 4,096, besides a specific endowment of Rs. 3,801. It has 8 houses, a choultry, nearly 49 acres of dry lands and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of wet land. The value of jewellery as on 2-3-1960 has been estimated at Rs. 35,442. Of the vahanas, a silver chapparam (Car) and a silver peacock deserve special mention.

#### 146. SIRKAR PERIAPALAYAM

##### Sri Sugreeswarar temple

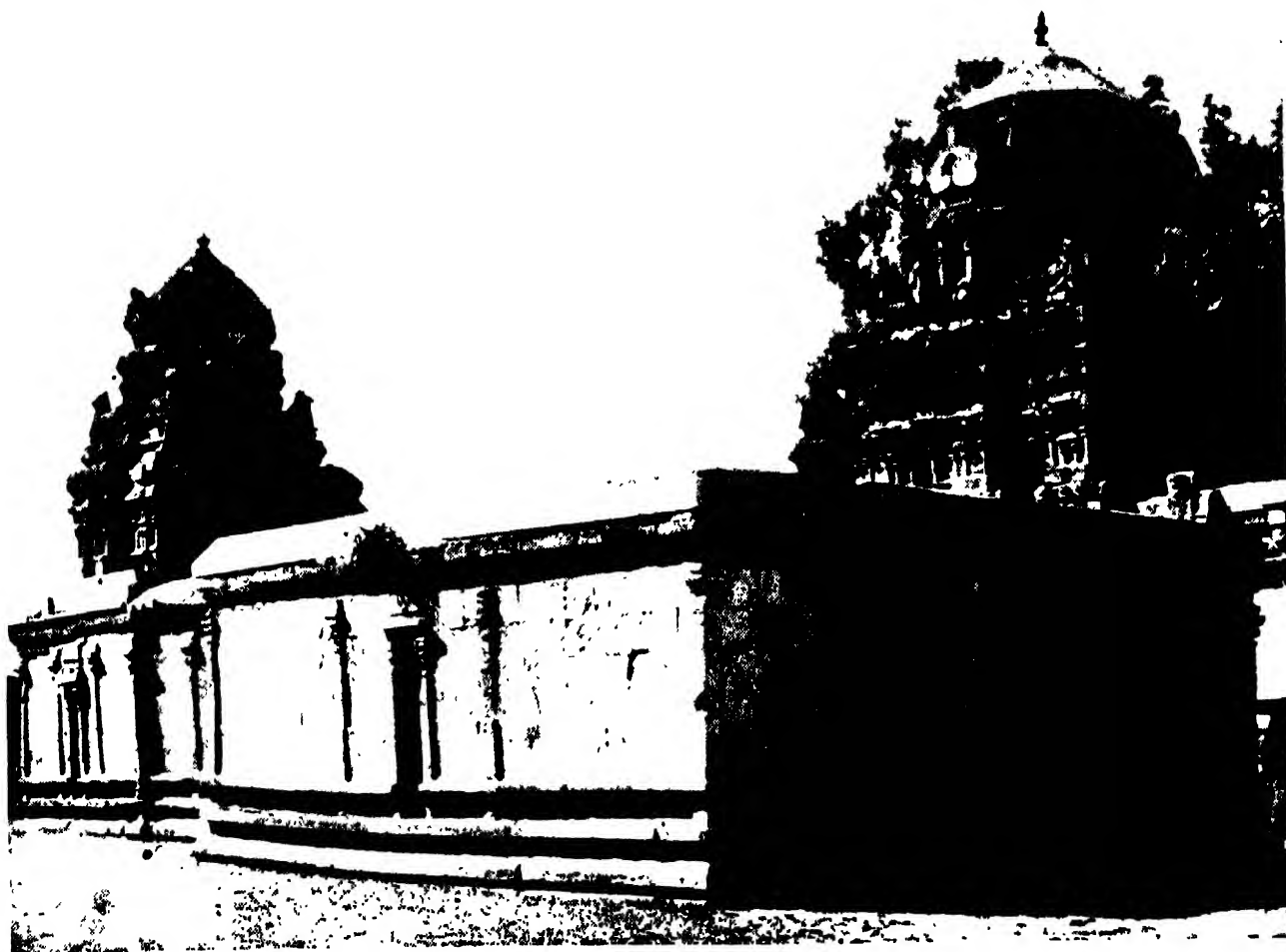
This is one of the three temples declared as Protected Monuments in Coimbatore district and is under

the control of the Department of Archaeology, the other two being Murugantha temple at Thirumuruganpundi and Sri Avanashilingeswarar temple at Avanashi. This place was once known as Kurekkuththalai and was referred to by Saint Sundarar in one of his verses. This temple has an annual income of about Rs. 750 through its landed property. It has six acres of wet land and twelve acres of dry land besides the land occupied by the temple. This land may roughly measure 400 ft. x 400 ft. The temple is in a dilapidated condition. It is at a distance of five miles east of Tiruppur and can be reached by a bus from Tiruppur to Erode (via) Uthukuli. Sugreeswarar, His consort Avudainayagi, Sun God, Dhakshinamoorthi, Subramaniam and Bairavar are the deities installed in this temple. There are festival images for Natarajar, Sivagami, Vinayagar, Somaskandhar and Chandrasekarar. Poojas are performed twice a day by a Gurukkal. Thiruvadhirai or Arudhra Dharisanam in the month of Margazhi (December-January) is the chief annual festival attended by a few local people. Otherwise visits of devotees are very rare. This temple assumes importance in view of the stone inscriptions in it. They are therefore extracted from "Inscriptions of the Madras Presidency" Volume I by V. Rangacharya, Assistant Professor of History, Presidency College, Madras and are furnished as follows:

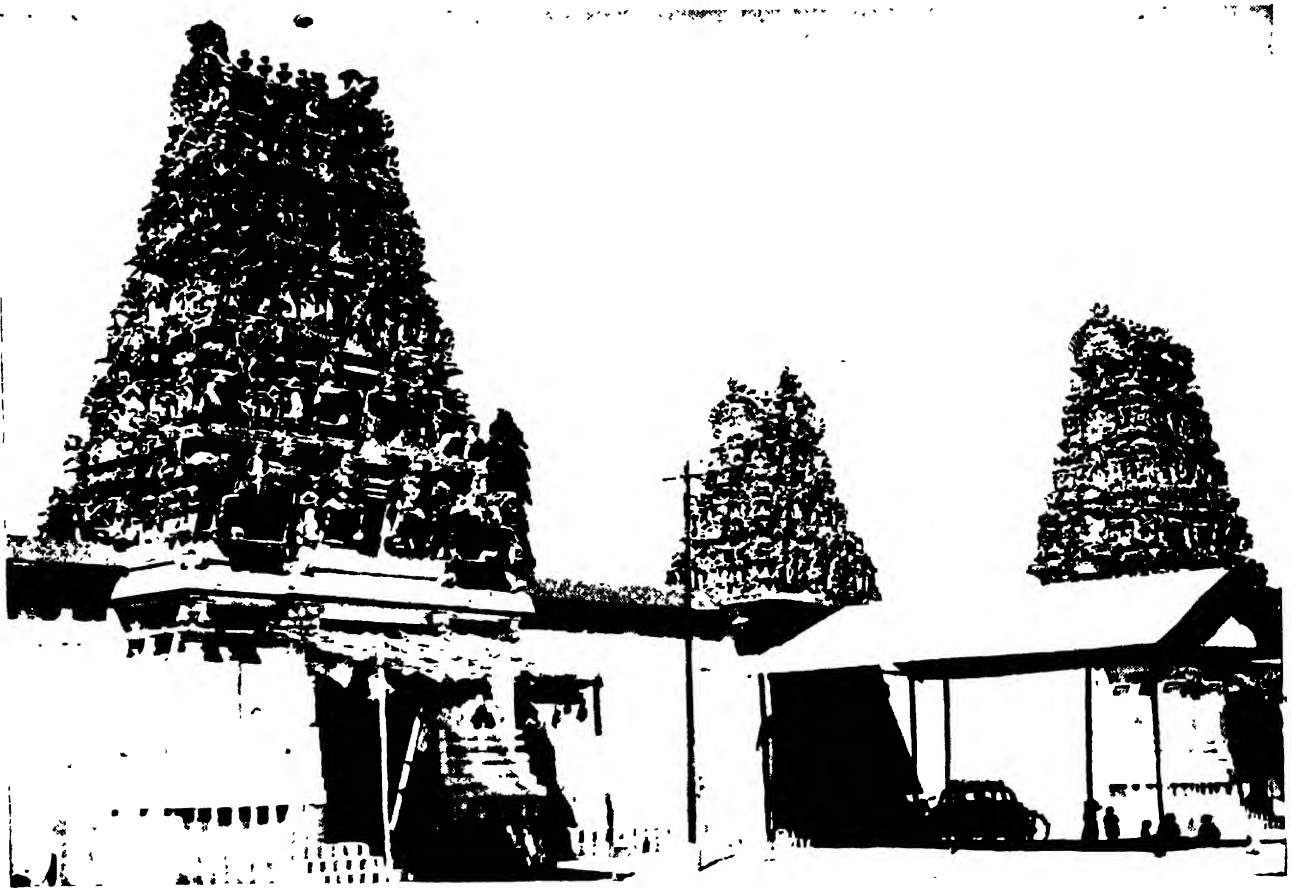
164. 304 of 1908—(Tamil). On the north wall of the Sugreeswara temple. A record in the twenty second year of the Pandya king Sundara-Pandyadeva. Provides for the maintenance and supervision of an irrigation tank at Suralur alias Sundara-Pandyannallur in Vuyarai kkanadu which belonged to the temple of Kurakkuttali Aludaiya Nayanar.

165. 305 of 1908—(Tamil) On the same wall. A record in the eighth year of the Pandya king Tribhuvanachakravarti Konerinnaimkondan Vira Pandyadeva. Records gift of land for the requirements of a festival named after the king, in the temple of Kurakkuttali-Aludaiya Nayanar, the lord of Mugandanur in the Vira Sola Valanadu. Mentions Valuppurakkunadu. (The inscription is unique as an example of a Pandyan king wearing a Chola title).

166. 306 of 1908—(Tamil) On the same wall. A record in the third year of the Pandya king Sundara-Pandyadeva. Records gift of money for a lamp to the



Sugreeswarar Temple, Sirkar Periapalayam.



A view of the Magudeswarar and Veeranarayana Perumal temple, Kodumudi.

shrine of Vaduga Pillaiyar in the temple of Kurakkattali-Aludaiyar Nayanar, the lord of Mugandanur in Virasolavalanadu, by a certain Setti surnamed SeramanTolan of Palinallur.

167. 307 of 1908 (Tamil). On the same wall. A record in the fourth year of the Pandya king Sundara-Pandyadeva. Records gift of land.

168. 308 of 1908—(Tamil). On the same wall. A damaged record of Tribhuvanachakravarti Konerinmaikondan. Mentions Tirukkurakkuttali Udaiyar.

169. 309 of 1908—(Tamil). On the same wall. A record in the thirteenth year of Tribhuvanachakravartin Konerinmaikondan Virarajendradeva (1207-36). Records gift of land to Appan Virarajendradeva Sola Chakravartin, one of the priests of the temple of Aludaiya Nayanar at Manniyur in Vada parisara nadu. Mentions also the temple of Kurakkuttali Aludaiya-Nayanar, the lord of Mugandanur in Virasola Valanadu.

170. 310 of 1908 (Tamil). On the west wall of the same temple. A record in the twentyseventh year of the Pandya king Tribhuvanachakravartin Konerinmaikondan Sundara Pandyadeva. Records gift of the same individual.

171. 311 of 1908—(Tamil). On the same wall. A record of the Pandya king Tribhuvanachakravartin Konerinmaikondan Sundara Pandyadeva, the date of which is lost. Records gift of land for offerings and repairs. Mentions Tenkarai Chchuralur.

172. 312 of 1908—(Tamil). On the same wall. A record in the twentyfourth year of the Pandya king Tribhuvanachakravartin Konerinmaikondan Sundara-Pandyadeva. Records gift of land in Tenkaraichchuralur.

173. 313 of 1908—(Tamil). On the south wall of the Sugreeswara temple. A record in the twenty-second year of the Pandya king Sundara Pandyadeva.

Refers to Suralur alias Sundara Pandyanallur which was a gift by Sundara Pandya to the temple of Kurakkuttali Nayanar. Mentions also Sidakkarachi in Vaya-raikkanadu.

174. 314 of 1908—(Tamil). On the same wall. A record in the twenty fourth year of the Pandya king Tribhuvanachakravartin Konerinmaikondan Sundara-Pandyadeva. Records gift of land for offerings.

175. 315 of 1908—(Tamil). On a pillar set up in the courtyard of the same temple. A record of Ummattur King Mahamandalesvara Virananjaraya Udaiyar in S. 1421, Siddharthin. Records gift of land by a merchant (Setti) to the temple of Kurakkuttali Tambirananar, the lord of Mugandanur in Kailasanivasa-chaturvedimangalam. Mentions the KAVUNDAS of Vadaparisara nadu.

176. 316 of 1908—(Tamil). On the west wall of the Varadaraja Perumal temple in the same village. Mentions in Nandana the temple of Perumal Varadarasar at Mugundanur.

177. 317 of 1908—(Tamil). On the west and south walls of the same temple. A record in the fourteenth year of Tribhuvanachakravartin Konerinmaikondan. A damaged record. Mentions Vikramasolachaturvedimangalam and the temple of Vikrama-Chola Vinnagaralvar named after the king.

#### 194. KODUMUDI

#### Sri Magudeswarar and Veeranarayana Perumal temple

Kodumudi is one of the four places sung about (புடல் பெற்ற ஸ்தலம்) of Coimbatore district. All the three eminent poets of Saivism viz., Thirugnana Sambandar, Thirunavukkarasar and Sundarar visited this place and each one composed one Thevaram about this temple. This shrine is located at a distance of one furlong from Kodumudi railway station in the Erode-Tiurchirapalli railway line. It is 64 miles from Coimbatore, the district headquarters and 23 miles

from Erode, the taluk headquarters. Buses are plying frequently from this place to Erode, Karur, Vellore, Chennimalai, Kangeyam and Dharapuram. River Cauveri changes its course in front of this temple from its southward direction to eastward.

A special feature of this shrine is the expounding of the Doctrine of Trinity by the presence of the Trimurtis, viz., Lord Brahma, Vishnu and Siva together in one and the same place. There are three pagodas for Lord Siva, Vishnu and Sri Amman. The sanctum sanctorum for Brahma is under a Vanni tree behind Amman temple. The union of Lord Siva and Vishnu in all processions signify the collaboration of Saivism and Vaishnavism in a harmonious unity. The direct penetration of sun's rays on the images of Swamy and Amman for four days during the months of Avani and Panguni indicates the offering of pooja to the Lord by Surya, which is known as "Surya Pooja".

The Moolavar Sri Magudeswaraswamy is a Swayambu Lingam. Sri Kodumudinathar, Kodumudeeswarar and Kodumudilingam are the other names adorned to Him. He is also called as "Thirupandi Kodumudi Mahadevar" and "Aaludaya Naayanar" in the stone inscriptions of the temple. His consort is known by the names, Sri Soundarambigai, Vadivudai Nayagi and Panmozhiammai. Perumal is known in this temple as Sri Veera Narayana Perumal. His consort is known as Sri Thirumangai Nachiar and also as Sri Mahalakshmi. The Vinayagar of this temple is known as "Sri Cauveri Kanda Vinayagar".

The temple occupies a space of 640' x 484' with three entrances each one facing east. The southern entrance leads to the sanctum sanctorum of Amman; the central one to that of Perumal and the northern one to that of Siva. Within the temple, there is a bronze image of Natarajar known as குஞ்சிதபாத நடராஜர் (Kunjitha Patha Natarajar). Contrary to the usual form of one raised leg, both the legs are on the ground in this image. Several renovations were made to this temple, among which those by Pandian kings need special mention. In view of that, this place is also known as Pandi Kodumudi. Malayadwaja Pandian, one of Pandya kings was pleased at the growth of the thumb of his son, who was originally defective by birth, by the grace of Sri Magudeswarar at this shrine

and constructed three pagodas and mandapams for Sri Eswarar, Devi and Perumal and built Sannidhis for other deities like Sri Vinayagar, Murugar, Natarajar, Uma Maheswarar, Nandhikeswarar, Suriyar, Chandrar, Saptha Maadhar, Bairavar and Chandikeswarar. He established a Mutt and a choultry for devotees. He also gifted a beautiful big car to the temple. He endowed several villages for the proper conduct of poojas and abishegas to Sri Kodumudinathar and Veera Narayana Perumal and made jewellery for the deities.

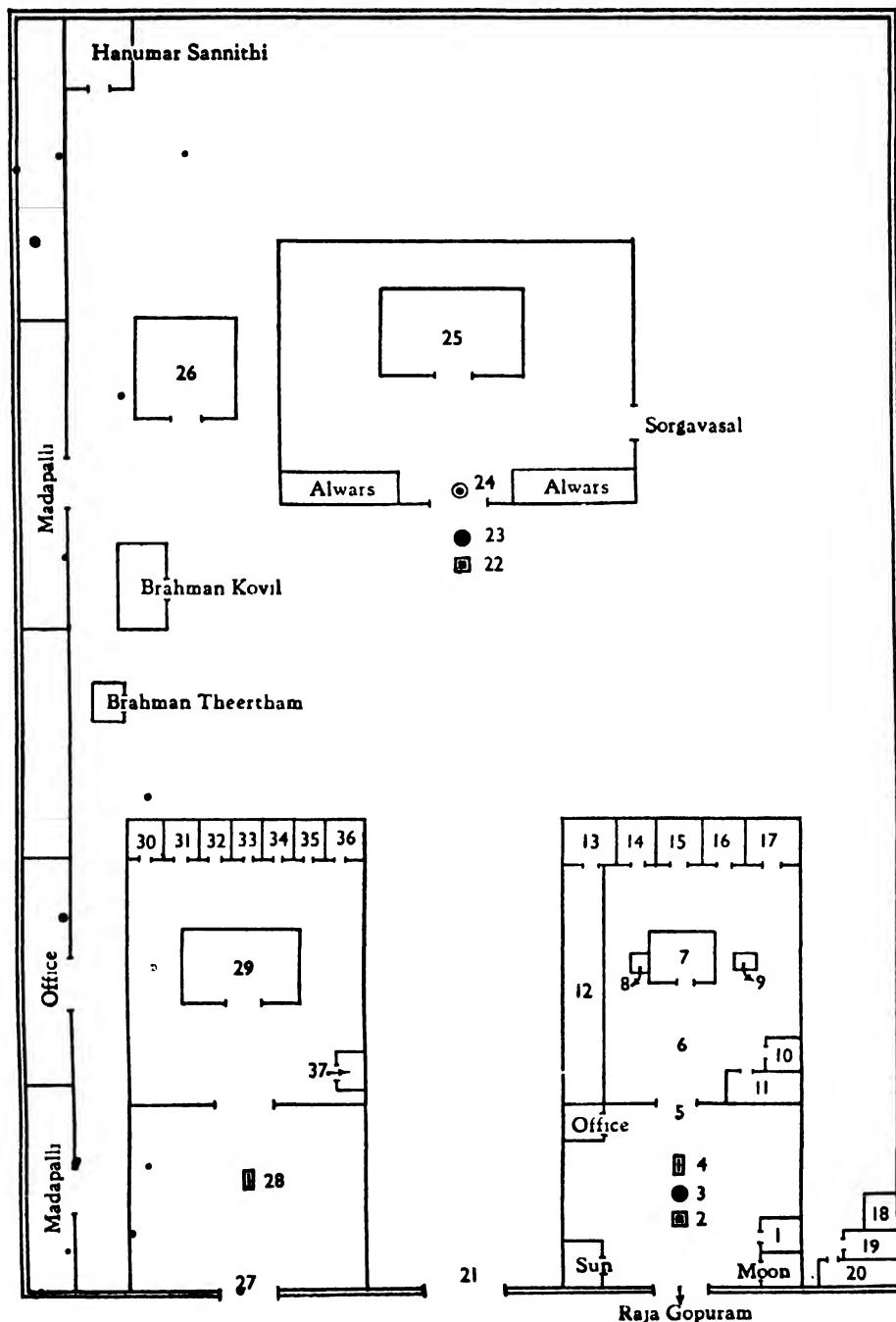
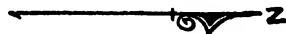
Sri Komara Varman gifted some articles for the Thiruvathirai Thirumanjanam and for some renovations. Renovations by King Narasimha Pallava during 625—650 A.D. are evidenced by the two lion faced (Narasimha Mugam) stone pillars in the temple. In the 8th century A.D., Sri Thermanan presented the temple with enormous gold coins and other valuable ornaments. In the 13th century A.D. Sri Sundara Pandia Kesari Varman endowed some villages for Lord Siva, Thirumal and Thiruvadi Garudan (திருவதி கருடன்). It is also stated that Sri Narasingamunaiaraiyar, one of the 63 Nayanars, made some renovations to the temple. Sri Thandigai Kaliyannan who is also known as Nattimai Kaliyannan and Vikramadhitha Kaliyannan and lived in the 17th century A.D. at Thalaiyanallur, established several endowments for Abishegam, Nithiya Paditharam and Nandha Vilakku to Sri Magudeswarar. Later, in the years 1909 and 1922, the inhabitants of Nattukottai made several additions and alterations to the temple and celebrated kumbabishegams in a grand fashion. The family of the Zamindar of Devakottai and the families of Kanaadukathan were the main contributors.

Stone inscriptions relating to this shrine are found in the Perumal temple around the prakaram. These stone inscriptions contain information regarding the endowments made to the temple by Sri Sundara Pandian, Konerinmaikondan and Sri Veera Narayana Ravi Varman. They also give information regarding naming of this place as "Athirajamandalathu Cauveri Naattu Karaiyur Thirupandi Kodumudi", calling the presiding deity as "Thirupandi Kodumudi Mahadevar" and "Aaludaya Naayanar" and also the installation of Sri Pallikonda Perumal, Peria Thiruvadi (Garudan) and Ilaya Pillaiyar (Lord Muruga).

# SRI MAGUDESWARAR & VEERANARAYANA PERUMAL TEMPLE

## KODUMUDI

(Not to Scale)



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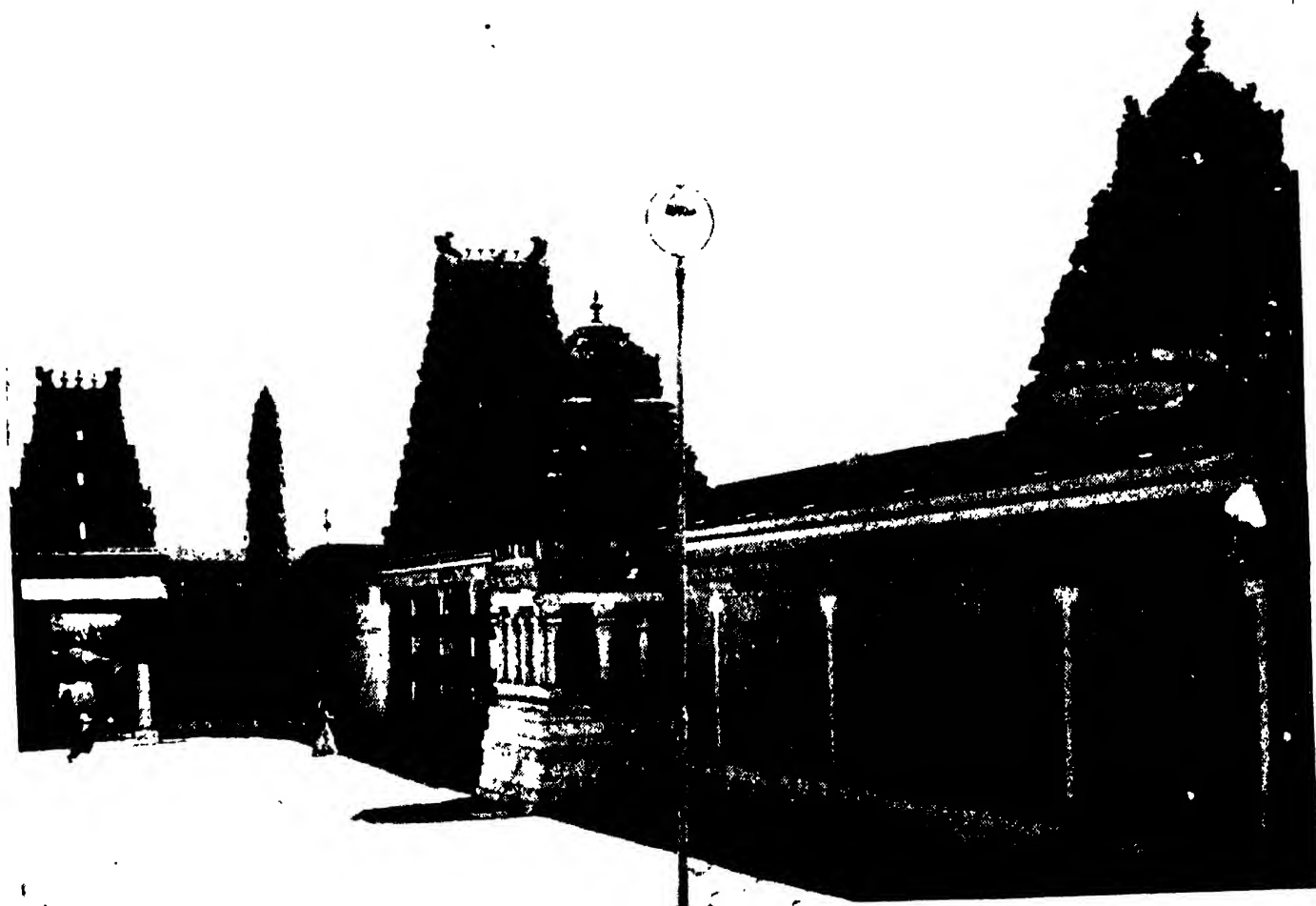




Sculpture of Lord Brahma in the prakaram.



• A view of river Cauveri in front of the temple at Kodumudi.



A view of the prakaram and vimanams.

Besides the three Thevarams, one each by Appar, Sundarar and Sambandar, Saint Arunagirinadhar composed two verses in his famous Thiruppugazh. Sri Vadhutha Munivar composed verses of the Sthalapuranam in Sanskrit, while Sri Venkataramanadasar of Samakkulam published the same in Tamil verses. Sri V. R. Deiva Sigamani Gounder has written in prose the history of this place and the shrine. References are made about the shrine in the works of Sekkizhar (செகிழார்), Eyarkon Kalikkamar (ஏயர்க்கலிக்கமர்) and in the "Padhineram Thirumurai" of "Sivaperuman Thiruvirattai Manimalai" composed by Sri Kabaladevanayanar. "Kodumudi Kuravanji" by Sri Malaikkozhundhu Kavirayar, "Kaliyannan Kuravanji" by Sri Bala Bharathiyar, "Vadivulla Nayagy Panjarathinam" and "Kongumandala Cheyyulgal" by Sri Deiva Sigamani Gounder, also praise the shrine and the place.

According to the local sthalapuranam, long long ago, a war arose between the serpent king "Adi Sesha" and "Vayu Bhagavan" in the "Indhira Sabha", testing the strength of their mutual powers. Towards the end, Adi Sesha coiled around the Great Mount Meru and Vayu Bhagavan with all his ferocity dashed against it and blew it up to pieces. During this, five big chips of the Mount Meru, fell in five different places, as five precious stones and these later became five famous hill "sthalams". Of these, the red stone became Tiruvannamalai, green stone (Maragadham) gave rise to the "Thirueingomalai", the Manickam stone grew up into the "Sivaya malai" (Rathinagiri), the blue stone gave rise to the "Thirupodhigaimalai" and the diamond stone fashioned itself as the famous "Kodumudi" hills. Of these, while the four others appear as regular hills, Kodumudi alone has designed itself as a Lingam, representing the abode of Lord Siva, which is a special grandeur of this "sthalam".

When the marriage of Lord Siva and Sri Parvathi took place in Mount Kailas (Imayagiri), all Devas and human beings assembled together to witness it. This resulted in a heavy pressure on the north, thereby tilting Mount Kailas downwards. At that time, Lord Siva kept up the balance of weight, at a level in both north and

south, by sending Sage Agasthiya to Podhigaimalai, in the south. On his way to Podhigaimalai, Sage Agasthiya reached Kongunad and started a severe penance in a hillock, holding a Kamandalam in his right hand, which was full of the sacred water of river Ganga. Then King Indra of Devaloga descended to earth assuming the form of a human and was worshipping Lord Siva at Sirkazhi in Thanjavur district. One of his prayers was to rescue the people from their sufferings due to water scarcity. Thereupon Lord Siva instigated Sri Vinayagar to assume the form of a white crow and tilt down the Kamandala Theertham held by Sage Agasthiya. The tilted water is believed to be running in the form of river Cauveri and the place of occurrence is believed to be the present Kodumudithurai. The incident is supposed to have been commemorated on a rock now known as "Agasthiyar Parai", which is partially submerged in river Cauveri, just opposite the temple. The legend finds a place in old Tamil literature like Manimegalai, Silappadigaram and Prabhulinga Leelai. Because of this incident, the image of local Vinayagar is known as Cauveri Kanda Vinayagar (காவேரி கண்ட விநாயகர்).

According to a third legend in the Sthalapuranam, Saint Bharadwajar was a learned man in Vedas and Agamas. He visited several sacred centres and finally reached Kodumudi. Every day, he took bath in river Cauveri, reposed beneath Vanni tree meditating and worshipping Sri Magudeswarar. Pleased at this, the Lord blessed him by giving a darshan in a dancing posture accompanied by a grand orchestra, which included 'Mathalam' by Nandhi and Thirumal, 'Potralam' by Brahma, 'Veena' (Yazh) by Thumburu and Naradhar. Consequent on this incident, this sthalam came to be known as Bharadwaja Kshethiram.

Poojas are performed four times a day in Siva temple and twice a day in the Vishnu temple by hereditary Brahmins. The Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board have estimated the value of jewellery at Rs. 15,802 as on 2-3-1960. They have also assessed the annual income at Rs. 29,888. The chief source of income (Rs. 20,000) is from the fees levied towards different archanas and abishegas at fixed

rates prescribed by the Devasthanam. The schedule of fees levied by the Devasthanam is as noted below :—

	Rs. Ps.
Ashtothiram (108 Namas) ...	0-25
Sahasranamam (1008 Namas) ...	0-62
Pannir Abishegam ...	0-25
Sivankoil Abishegam ...	2-12
Sivan, Thirumal Abishegam ...	3-87
Kalyana Kattanam ...	16-50
Kalyanam ...	5-25
Santhi, Yagam, Japam and Srandham...	0-50
Velli (Silver) Nagabaranam Saarthal ...	5-00
Saneeswarar Abisehegam ...	0-62
Mudi Kanikkai ...	0-62

Apart from this, the temple also gets a decent income from its hundi collections.

There are two cars in the Siva temple, made 11 years back, one for Eswarar costing Rs. 25,000 and the other for Sri Vinayagar, worth Rs. 1,000, while there is only one big car in the Vishnu temple, about 91 years old, valued at Rs. 7,500. Besides, it also owns five vahanas namely, Garuda, Simha, Sesha, Horse, Elephant and two chapparams, all made of wood, some 30 years ago.

The chief annual festival is celebrated in Chithirai (April-May) for a period of 10 days. Besides this, Adi Perukku is celebrated on the 18th day of Adi (July-August), in which all devotees take a sacred bath in the river Cauveri, where the Murthis gave dharshan to them. The same night, it is customary for the devotees to place "Maavilakku" (a flour paste in which a wick is burnt), "pottu", "Agal Vilakku", "Karai", "Kadholai", "Karumani", "Sitradai", coconut, plantain, pawn and supary in a plate called as "Thaali"

(தாளி) made out of wet clay and leave it in the running waters of the Cauveri. "Sandhana Kappu" to the Amman and Sri Lakshmi in Adi, Ayyappasi Annabishagam, Karthigai Deepam, Sangabishegam during the last "Somavaram", the procession of Lord Perumal and Sri Natarajar on Thiruvathirai and Vaikunta Ekadasi days and the "Theerthavizha" during "Tha Poosam" are the other festivals celebrated here. Apart from these, "Thirumangala Naan Nonbu" festival is celebrated by the Ambal on the Margazhi Thiruvathirai day, when Sri Veera Narayana Perumal blesses His sister Sri Vadivudaiya Nayagi seated on the decorated swing (Oonjal) and gives cocoanut, plantain, pawn, supary, turmeric powder, saffron, sandal paste, flowers and costly silk sarees to her, by way of gift. There is also a procession accompanied by "Mangala Vaathiam" during which the priests chant "Vedha Manthras". Special poojas and abishegas are performed for four "Kalams" on the night of the "Sivarathiri" day, in the month of Masi. Among the "Sivarathiri" celebrations "Nithiya Sivarathiri", "Madha Sivarathiri", "Yoga Sivarathiri", "Pacha Sivarathiri" and "Maha Sivarathiri" are the five categories. Besides, devotees also offer special worship in the temple on the monthly Kirthigai and Pradhosham days. It is considered that worship of Lord Siva during the "Pradhosha Kalam" is very sacred as it signifies the swallowing of the "Aalakala Visham" by the Lord, thereby saving humanity. Devotees who carry "Kavadi" to 'Palani', for fulfilling their vows used to take their sacred bath here in the sacred Cauveri river and carry the sacred water in a kalasam, covered by the green leaves of Vannimaram, the sacred sthalaviruksham of the temple, before proceeding to Palani hills. This presents a grand festive appearance.

Every morning in the early hours, songs from "Thiruppavai" and "Thiruvembavai" are broadcast through the mike. The procession of Lord Siva and Vishnu together on all festive occasions mentioned above is specially noteworthy, as it indicates the oneness of Saivism and Vaishnavism in a harmonious unity.

Of all the festivals celebrated by the Siva temple, "Radhothsavam" during the Chithirai "Brahmoth-savam" is the most important one, which attracts about 10,000 devotees from far and near, while Vaikunta Ekadasi is the other main festival in the Vishnu

temple, which gathers about 5000 devotees from all around.

The temple is managed by a Board of five trustees and an Executive Officer.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	2	Elavamalai	Elavamalai	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.25	Sri Sellandiamman	Erode Railway station 11 miles
2	8	Chithode (P)	Chithode	Sri Mahali- amman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Mahali- amman	Erode Railway station 7 miles
3	9	Perodu	Perodu	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 9 miles
4				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)			Sri Sellandiamman	
5	12	Gangapuram	Gangapuram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 8 miles
6	13	Elaipalayam	Elaipalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Erode Railway station 4 miles
7				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
8	14	do	Vettaiperia- palayam	do	150	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Erode Railway station 9 miles
9	17	Kanjikoil (P)	Kanjikoil	Sri Neelakanteswara- swami temple (S)	Not known	0.20	Sri Neelakantee- swaraswami	Erode Railway station 10 miles
10	23	Thingalur (P)	Thingalur	Sri Chandramunee- swaraswami temple (S)	100	0.10	Sri Chandramunee- swaraswami	Vijayamangalam Railway station 9 miles
11				Sri Alagarayaperumal temple (V)			Sri Alagaraya Perumal	

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)			(17)	(18)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

4,335	...	...	...	21.07	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a Pandaram	Sellandi-amman Festival	...	No
260	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ratham	Once a year	Mariamman Festival	...	No
1,584	..	...	..	8.60	...	4,000	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival	...	No
200	...	8.59	...	..	...	500	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Margazhi	...	No
200	12.00	...	...	...	...	150	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
850	...	8.32	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	..	...	No
649	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rishabam Chapparam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	..	...	No
465	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	602-613 of 1905	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
12	27	Thoronavavi	Thoronavavi	Sri Arulumalai Andavar temple (M)	87	0.75	Sri Subramania-swami	Uthukuli Railway station 12 miles
13	23	Thingalur (P)	Thingalur	Sri Chandramouleeswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.10	Sri Chandramouleeswaraswami	Vijayamangalam Railway station 9 miles
14				Sri Alagarayaperumal temple (V)			Sri Alagaraya Perumal	
15	27	Thoronavavi	Thoronavavi	Sri Arulumalai Andavar temple (M)	87	0.75	Sri Subramania-swami	Uthukuli Railway station 12 miles
16	37	Kunnathur (P)	Kunnathur	Sri Kunrapureeswarar temple (S)	Not Known	0.46	Sri Kunrapureeswarar	Uthukuli Railway station 10 miles
17				Sri Lakshminarayanaswami temple (V)			Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	
18				Sri Pongalihamman temple (F)			Sri Pongalihamman	
19	"	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Angalamman	Uthukuli Railway station 9 miles
20	46	Thudupathy (P)	Chinnazhappalayam	Sri Kariakalihamman temple (F)	...	...	Sri Kariakalihamman	Ingudi Railway station 8 miles
21				Sri Sidheswaraswami temple (S)	...	...	Sri Sidheswaraswami	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Rcf. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

440	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipoozam	...	No
250	...	7.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Lingayathu Brahmin	...	...	No
350	...	13.59	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
396	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ratham	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
408	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,850	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
22	46	Thudupathy (P)	Thudupathy	Sri Viswanathaswami temple (S)	100	0.75	Sri Viswanathaswami	Ingur Railway station 7 miles
23				Sri Varneegamadar temple (V)	200	2.00	Sri Kari Varadarajaperumal	
24	47	Karumandhachetti palayam (P)	Karumandachelli	Sri Mukhyaprasanna-swami temple (S)	200	0.05	Sri Mukhyaprasannar	Perundurai Railway station 4 miles
25				Sri Hanumanthanatha swami temple (O)			Sri Hanumar	
26	50	Nasianur	Nasianur	Sri Moovendra temple (S)	700	0.50	Sri Moovendra-Eswarar	Erode Railway station 5½ miles
27				Sri Adinarayana temple (V)			Sri Adinarayana Perumal	
28	60	Vairapalayam	Vairapalayam	Sri Ragavendraswami temple (O)	...	...	...	...
29	65	Erode (M)	Erode	Sri Kongalamman temple (F)	1,500	0.52	Sri Kongalamman	Erode Railway station 1 mile

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
612 Dastic allowance	...	...	...	...	...	5,000	Serpent Lion Garuda Rishabam Peacock Elephant	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
...	...	...	...	55.40	...	60	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Peacock Tiger Horse Elephant Garuda	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	Ambu Festival in Purattasi Ekadasi Arudra dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
6,448	...	...	...	...	Not stated	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Bhattachari	...	...	...
11 375	...	...	Not stated	Shops	...	Not stated	Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman car Festival	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
30	65	Erode (M)	Erode	Sri Arudra Kabaleeswarar <i>alias</i> Sri Thondeeswarar temple (S)	2,500	0.88	Sri Arudhra Kabaleeswarar	Erode Railway station ½ mile
31				Sri Kaliyuga Varadarajar temple (V)	800	0.75	Sri Kasthuri Ranganadhar	
32	"	do	do	Sri Chinna Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.16	Sri Chinna Mariamman	Erode Railway station 1 mile
33				Sri Peria Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Mariamman	
34	"	do	do	Sri Dhandayudhapani temple (M)	150	Not stated	Sri Dhandapani	Erode Railway station 1 mile
35	"			Sri Ganapathy temple (G)			Sri Ganapathy	
36				Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)			Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
37	"	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	500	0.59	Sri Angalamman	Erode Railway station 1 mile
38	"	do	do	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	1,500	0.04	Sri Selva Vinayagar	Erode Railway station 1 mile

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
9,734	...	...	...	Go-down	15,390	...	Silver Ratham Silver Palanquin Rishabam Horse Elephant Silver Kamadhenu Kalpaka Viruksham Garuda Anjaneya Horse Sesha	Four times a day by hereditary Gurukkals	Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	12-15 of 1891 & 167-170 of 1910 16-17 of 1891 & 160-161	...
19,300	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	2,000	Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Panguni	...	No
200	1-50	...	...	Shops	...	No	Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaiposam Panguni Uthiram Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Jayanthi	...	No
684	...	...	...	Vacant plot 4 acres	...	No	Lion	Once a day by hereditary Pillars	Sivarathri	...	No
300	...	...	...	...	...	2,000	..	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vinayaga-chathurthi	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
39	65	Erode (M)	Erode	Sri Badrakahamman temple (F)	54	0.20	Sri Kalamman	Erode Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
40	68	Muthampalayam	Muthampalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Thottipalayam Railway station $\frac{3}{8}$ miles
41	73	Thottani	Thottavi	Sri Kadirvelperumal temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Kadirvel Perumal	Thottipalayam Railway station 4 miles
42	78	Vadamugamvellodu	Kommakott	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	100	0.10	Sri Varadarajaperumal	Perundurai Railway station 1 mile
43	78		Vadamugam Vellode	Sri Vigneswaraswami temple (G)	60	0.01	Sri Vigneswaraswami	Perundurai Railway station
44	„			Sri Sarvalingamurthi temple (S)	500	0.40	Sri Sarvalingamurthi	Perundurai Railway station $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles
45	„			Sri Adinarayana-perumal temple (S)			Sri Adinarayana Perumal	
46	79	Perundurai	Perundurai	Sri Soleswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.75	Sri Soleswaraswami	Perundurai Railway station 3 miles
47	„			Sri Prasanna Venkatesaperumal temple (V)		0.75	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanaswami	
48	79	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	2,000	0.50	Sri Sellandiamman	Perundurai Railway station 4 miles
49	„			Sri Kottai Mariamman temple (F)		0.25	Sri Kottai Mariamman	

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Annual income assessed for Faali 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

459	...	..	...	Shops-2	..	300	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Masi	..	Yes
500	...	10 00	...	..	...	..	..	Once a week by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival	...	No
300	..	..	..	...	..	4,000	Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Vaikunta Ekadasi Purattasi Saturdays	...	No
200	...	27 17	..	..	..	..	Horse Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Naidu	No	..	No
450	...	7 91	..	..	..	..	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
598	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No
2,881	...	...	...	2 00 Garden	...	..	Sakadai Rishabam Garudan Peacock Chapparams-3	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
8,032	...	10 00	..	...	...	No	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam	...	..
									Nonbu 10 Ippasi		

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
50	82	Seenapuram	Seenapuram	Sri Vijayapuri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	100	0.25	Sri Vijayapuri Velayudhaswami	Perundurai Railway station 7 miles
51	91	Karunanjerai (P)	Karumanjerai	Sri Balamani amman temple (F)	60	0.01	Sri Balamani amman	Uthukuli Railway station 12 miles
52	95	Velliampattu	Andiyur	Sri Adheswaraswami temple (S)		0.35	Sri Adheswaraswami	Ingur Railway station 12 miles
53	..			Sri Adinarayanar temple (V)	100	0.13	Sri Adinarayanar	
54	..			Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)		0.13	Sri Alaganachiamman	
55	100	Vijayapuri (P)	Vijayaman-galam	Sri Nageeswaraswami temple (S)	1,300	1.00	Sri Nageeswaraswami	Vijayamangalam Railway station 3½ miles
56	..			Sri Karivaradarajaperumal temple (V)		0.50	Sri Karivaradarajaperumal	
57	..	do	Moongilpalayam	Sri Gangaparameswari temple (S)	7	Not stated	Sri Ganga Parameswari Amman	Vijayamangalam Railway station 3½ miles
58	103	Ingur (P)	Engoor	Sri Allaleswarar temple (S)	Not stated	0.21	Sri Allaleswarar	Ingur Railway station ½ mile
59				Sri Karivaradarajaperumal temple (V)			Sri Karivaradarajaperumal	



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet		Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
542	...	...	...	...	..	No	Car	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Sura Samharam in Ippasi	...	No
600	...	...	...	200 kadu	...	100	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	Balamari- amman Festival once a year	...	No
.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
401	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachari	No	...	No
							Vimanam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Thiruvathirai Navarathri	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Maha Sivarathri	556 595 of 1905	...
840	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	Thrice a day by a Bhattachari	Saraswathi Pooja Vaikunta Ekadasi	544-555 of 1905	...
1,988	...	400	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by a Pandaram	No	...	Yes
						...	...		Karthigai Deepam	...	No
350	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated		Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
60	115	N. Uthukuli (P)	Nanjai Uthukuli	Sri Periachamundi- amman (F)	100	0.50	Sri Periachamundi- amman	Chavadipalayam Railway station 4 mile
61				Sri Chinnachamundi- amman temple (F)			Sri Chinna Cha- mundi amman	
62	115	Sethambur	Sethambur	Sri Chamundi- amman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Chamundi- amman	Chavadipalayam Railway station one mile
63	118	Kangayam- palayam	Kangayam- palayam	Sri Nattatheeswarar temple (S)	100	0.50	Sri Nattathee- swarar	Chavadipalayam Railway station 2 miles
64	120	N. Kala- mangalam	Nanjai Keela- mangalam	Sri Madeeswarar temple (S)		0.40	Sri Madeeswarar	Pasur Railway station 3 miles
65				Sri Kulavilakku- amman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Kulavilakku- amman	
66				Sri Varadarajar temple (V)		0.25	Sri Varadarajar	
67	124	Modakurichi	Modakurichi	Sri Varagireeswarar temple (S)			Sri Varagirees- warar	Chavadipalayam Railway station 3 miles
68				Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not	0.50	Sri Peruma	
69				Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)			Sri Badrakali- amman	

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple									
			Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

359	...	11.88	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
*XA	2.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
2,027	2.25	...	...	...	...	50	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
							..	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
269	...	...	...	72.00	...	750	Ratham	Poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
							...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Bhattachari	No	...	No
275	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	Twice a day by a hereditary	Not stated	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
70	125	Punduraisemur	Punduraisemur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	Chavadipalayam Railway station, 5 miles
71				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Vinayagar	
72				Sri Nangandiamman temple (F)			Sri Nangandiamman	
73	126	Avalpumdurai (P)	Poondhurai	Sri Pushpavanathanar temple (S)		1.25	Sri Pushpavanathanar	Erode Railway station, 7 miles
74				Sri Damodhara Perumal temple (V)	1,500	0.75	Sri Damodhara Perumal	
75	127	Mukasiammanpalli (P)	Arumampalli	Sri Hanumeeswarar temple (S)	Not Known	0.37	Sri Hanumeeswarar	Perundurai Railway station, 5 miles
76	129	Murungatholuvai	Murungatholuvai	Sri Brahmalingeswarar temple (S)	500	0.10	Sri Brahmalingeswarar	Engur Railway station, 8 miles
77				Sri Arjanadhar temple (V)	500	0.10	Sri Arjanadhar	Engoor Tholuvu Railway station, 8 miles

## TALUK (Contd).

Annual income • assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.						
					Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple					
										Ref. for decipher- ed ones	Non- decipher- ed but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

750	...	...	15.44	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Kartigai	...	No
75	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai	...	...
500	...	...	...	...	...	...	Garuda	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
300	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ratham Vahanams	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Visaka Ratham in Vaikasi Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	Yes
15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam Maha Sivarathri	...	Yes
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
78	131	Attavanai-pidariyur	Attavanai-pidariyur	Sri Thirumurugan Maharutha Nathar temple (S)	500	0.57	Sri Thirumurugan Maharutha Nathar	Engoor Railway station 2½ miles
79	133	Chennimalai (P)	Chennimalai	Sri Chennimalai Andavar temple (M)		0.42	Sri Chenniangiri Andavar	} Engoor Railway station 4½ miles
80				Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	1,000	0.61	Sri Kailasanathar	
81				Sri Subramaniam temple (M)		Not stated	Sri Subramaniam	
82	133	Chennimalai (P)	Chennimalai	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	200	0.07	Sri Kamakshiamman	Engoor Railway station 3½ miles
83	138	Punjai Dalavaipalayam	Dalavaipalayam	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)		0.05	Sri Kasi Viswanathaswami	} Vijayamangalam Railway station 2 miles
84	"	do	do	Sri Vijayapuriamman temple (F)	150	0.04	Sri Vijayapuriamman	
85	146	Sirkarperiaipalayam	Sirkarperiaipalayam	Sri Sangameswaraswami temple alias Sri Sugreeswarar temple (S)	500	3.67	Sri Sugreeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 5 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 • by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

360 •	...	60'00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
40,961	1'02	48'62	...	Houses-8 Choultry-1	...	...	Rathams-3 Sakadai Chapparam Horses-2 Elephant Kamadhenu Aja, Peacock Bootham Palanquin Silver peacock Silver Chapparam	Seven times a day by hereditary Brahmins  Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Ani Thirumanjanam Adi Pooram Avani Moolam Skanda Sashti Karthigai Deepam Thai Poosam Maha Sivarathri Panguni Uhiram Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathiri	...	No
3,737 •	...	...	...	3'00 Thottam Houses Vacant plot	...	1,000	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
630	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
713	6'00	12'00	...	...	...	...	Vimanams-3	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Navarathri Sivarathri	304-317 of 1908	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
86	149	P. Uthukuli	Uthukuli	Sri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Velayudhaswami	Uthukuli Railway station 1½ miles
87	156	Punjaipalatholuvu	Punjaipulianpatti	Sri Nanjundeswaraswami temple (S)	200	0.03	Sri Nanjundeswarar	Vijayamangalam Railway station 3 miles
88	157	Nanjaipalatholuvu	Nanjaipalatholuvu	Sri Golumathiswami temple (V)	200	0.04	Sri Gopinathaswami	do
89	166	Arachalur	Arachalur	Sri Arasalanman temple (F)		2.10	Sri Arasalanman	Erode Railway station 13 miles
					100			
90	..	do	do	Sri Nagamalai Andavar temple (M)		0.52	Sri Nagamalai Andavar	
91	..	do	do	Sri Putridamkondeeswarar temple (S)	500	0.75	Sri Putridamkondeeswarar	
92	167	Velampalayam	Thukkachi	Sri Kuppai Annaswami temple (O)			Sri Kuppaiannaswami	Erode Railway station 12 miles
					100	0.69		
93	..	do	do	Sri Selva Kumaraswami (M)			Sri Selvakumaraswami	
94	168	Elumathur (P)	Elumathur	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)		Not stated	Sri Varadarajar	ChavadiPalayam Railway station 6 miles
					50			
95		do	do	Sri Saktheeswarar temple (S)		0.10	Sri Saktheeswarar	



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Lipigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,270●	...	..	...	...	...	3 000	Peacock, Rathams-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Poosam Arudhra Dharisanam Sura Samharam	...	No
200	...	4:00	...	...	..	...	.	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
250	1:50	...	...	...	...	..	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Mudahar	No	...	No
	...	..	...	Shops-8	...	500	Aja Peacock Vimanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Thiruvathurai Karthigai Deepam Navarathri	278-279 or 1961-62 or 1905	..
792	...	...	...	...	...	No	.	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Skanda Sashti in Ippasi	...	No
	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Skanda Sashti	...	No
1,604	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gounder	Pongal Festival in Margazhi	...	No
150	...	...	...	.	...	..	Lion Horse Rishabam Peacock Garudar	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachari  Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under 'the Hindu' Religious</b>								
96	169	Injampalli	Enchampalli	Sri Cenroyaperumal temple (V)	60	0.30	Sri Chenroyaperumal	Pasur Railway station 5 miles
97	„	do	do	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	20	0.20	Sri Pongaliamman	Pasur Railway station 5 miles
98	„			Sri Mariamman etc., temples (F)	50	0.15	Sri Mariamman	
99	„	do	do	Sri Sooleeswaraswami temple (S)	60	0.50	Sri Sooleeswaraswami	do
100	170	Punjai Kilambadi	Punjaikilambadi	Sri Chokkanachiamman temple (F)	100	1.35	Sri Chokkanachiamman	Kolanalli Railway station 2 miles
101	172	Pasur	Pasur	Sri Kolavilakkamman temple (F)	250	0.25	Sri Kolavilakkamman	Pasur Railway station
102	172			Sri Meenakshisundareswarar temple (S)	250	0.39	Sri Meenakshisundareswarar	do
103	173	Nanjaikilambadi	Nanjaikilambadi	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	100	0.35	Sri Kailasanathar	Kolapalli Railway station 2 miles
104	174	Nanjaikilannalli	Nanjaikilannalli	Sri Kulaliamman Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	Not known	0.90	Sri Kulaliamman	Kolanalli Railway station 1 furlong
105				Sri Kottai Mariamman temple (F)	200	Not stated	Sri Kottai Mariamman	Mari-Kolanalli Railway station 1 furlong

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1357 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

710	...	...	...	15'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
1,472	...	...	...	24'00	...	100	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Margazhi Panguni	...	No
2,848	...	...	...	45'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
1,234	1'18	30'80	...	...	...	500	Vimanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	Yes
6,000	6'13	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by hereditary Pandarams	No	...	No
7,200	6'19	Not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
2,849	4'00	30'00	...	5'00	...	50	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
4,578	...	60'00	...	...	...	900	Car Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Panguni Uthirai Rathotsavam	...	No
5,445	...	...	...	4'97	...	500	Rathams-2 Vahanams Chapparam Palanquin	do	Masi Magham Rathotsavam Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religion</b>								
106				Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.40	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
107	175	Punjaikilannalli (P)	Kollanalli	Sri Ellaperumal temple (V)	150	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Kollanalli Railway station
108			Punjai Kalanalli	Sri Pambalankaraswami temple (O)		0.44	Sri Pambalankaraswami	
109	176	Palamangalam	Palamangalam	Sri Annamalai Iswarar temple (S)	300	Not stated	Sri Annamalai Iswarar	Kollanalli Railway station 4 miles
110	..	do	do	Sri Venkatesaperumal temple (V)	300	Not stated	Sri Venkatachala Perumal	do
111	179	Vilakketti (P)	Vilakketti	Sri Vithagavatheeswarar temple (S)	150	0.21	Sri Vithagavatheeswarar	Erode Railway station 14 miles
112				Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Pongaliamman	
113	..	do	do	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal temple (V)	Not Known	0.15	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal	Unjalur Railway station 9 miles
114	182	Sivagiri (P)	Sivagiri	Sri Kanakagiri Velayudhaswami temple alias Subramanyaswamy (M)	150	4.00	Sri Kanakagiri Velayudhaswami alias Subramaniaswami	Unjalur Railway station 6 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

4,500	...	60'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
250	...	...	64'00	...	...	...	Garuda	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaishnava Ekadasi Sri Ramanavami	...	No
200	..	...	120'00	...	...	100	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Sivarathri	...	No
630	...	74'43	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
540	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachari	No	...	No
1,846	...	12'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	..	No
	...	8'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
632	...	12'81	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
1,810	...	5'00	...	3'86	...	4,000	Cars-2 Horse Annam Bhootham Peacock Parrot	Four times a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Sura Samharam Karthigai Deepam Thai Poosam Panguni Uthirani	286-287 of 1961-62	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religion</b>								
115	182	Sivagiri (P)	Thalayanallur	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	500	2-00	Sri Pongali Amman	do
116				Sri Athannor Amman temple (F)		0-25	Sri Athanoor Amman	
117	185	Unjalur (P)	Unjalur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0-10	Sri Mariamman	Unjalur Railway station 1 Furlong
118	..	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not Known	0-60	Sri Sellandi-amman	Unjalur Railway station
119	..	do	do	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)	200	0-50	Sri Nageswara-swami	Unjalur Railway station 1 Furlong
120	..	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	200	0-01	Sri Lakshminara-yanaperumal	do
121	186	Vengambur (P)	Vengambur	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Angalamman	Kodumudi Railway station 2 miles
122	..	do	do	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Pongali-amman	
123				Sri Karuppannaswami temple (O)			Sri Karuppanna-swami	
124	..	do	do	Sri Sooleswaraswami temple (S)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Sooleswara-swami	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

10,000	..	...	30'00	...	...	10,000	Horse Lion	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Panguni Pournami	...	No
..	...	...	20'00	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Singathri	...	No
..	1'50	...	...	Building	...	3,000	Cars-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Naicker	Car Festival	...	No
...	...	30'40	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No
200	...	...	...	25'00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
800	Not stated	...	...	Garden	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archakar	Vaikunta Ekadas	..	No
12,246	22'46	...	...	...	...	300	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Masi Magham	...	No
200	25'15	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
10,562	7'96	55'06	...	Thottam 15'60	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	195	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
125	..	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
126	194	Kodumudi (F)	Kodumudi	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (S)	150	0.50	Sri Kamakshi- amman	Kodumudi Railway station ½ mile
127	..	do	do	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	110	0.03	Sri Kannika- parameswari	Kodumudi Railway station 1½ Furlongs
128	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	1.00	Sri Mariamman	Kodumudi Railway station one Furlong
129	..	do	do	Sri Magudeeswarar temple (S)	Not Known	5.00	Sri Magudee- swarar	}
130	..	do	do	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal temple (V)			Sri Veerana- yanaperumal	



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

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35,230 •	..	39.99	..	..	.	...	.	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
2 187	9 07	...	..	...	.	..	.	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram		..	No
100	..	.	..	Choultry Shops	..	400	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	• Navarathri	..	No
0,331	27 92	..	..	Shops-4		980	Chandra-Prabhai Ratham Lion Elephant Horse Annam Rishabam Nagam Chapparam Surya-Prabhai	Twice a day by a hereditary Desigar	Panguni Uthiram		No
29,888	..	...	..	...	15,802	...	Garudar Cars-2 Lion Seshan Horse Elephant Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachari	Gokula-shtami Chithirai month Festival Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	283 of 1961-62	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	79	Perundurai	Perundurai	Sri Mukhyaprana alias Sri Hanumantharaya-swami temple (O)	96	0.20	Sri Mukhyaprana-swamy	Perundurai Railway station 3½ miles
2	82	Seenapuram (P)	Talayam-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Talayanallore Railway station 9 miles
3	100	do	Mettupudur	Sri Chandraprabha Theerthakar temple (Jain temple) (O)	Not known	1.00	Sri Chandraprabha Theerthakar	Vijayamangalam Railway station 4 miles
4	105	Thenmugavellodu	Thenmugavellodu	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	100	0.03	Sri Vigneswarar	Perundurai Railway station 2½ miles
5	110	Thiyyanpoondurai	Ananthampalayam	Sri Karikali- amman temple (F)	150	0.30	Sri Karikali- amman	Chavadipalayam Railway station 2½ miles
6	166	Arachalur	Arachalur	Sri Ilankaiyanathar-swami temple (S)		0.03	Sri Ilankaiyanathar-swami	Erode Railway station 10 miles
		do	do	Sri Natarayaswami temple (S)	150	0.15	Sri Natarayaswami	
8		do	do	Sri Pongaliyur-swami temple (O)		0.05	Sri Pongaliyur-swami	
9	173	Nanjaikilampadi	Nanjaikilampadi	Sri Chockkanachi- amman temple (F)	100	0.67	Sri Chockkanachi- amman	Kolanalli Railway station 2 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)			(17)	(18)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

972	...	32.79	...	Shop	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Madhwa Archagar	Sri Rama-Navami Navarathri Sri Hanuman Jayanthi Sri Madhwa Jayanthi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Masi	...	No
55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Jain Brahmin	No	596-600 of 1905	...
Dastic allowance Rs. 100	...	...	...	...	...	...	Vimanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri Navarathri Thiruvathirai Karthigai Deepam Ugadh	...	No
Not stated	12.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No
1,500	...	...	...	5.37	}	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
500	...	...	...	11.71		...	...				
1,000	...	...	...	11.76		...	...				
5,000	1.00	50.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

## ERODE

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	182	Nanjaikilam- padi	Thalayalana- llur	Sri Nageswarar temple (S)	500	2.00	Sri Nageswarar	Unjalur Railway station 6 miles
11				Sri Varadarajar temple (V)			Sri Varadarajar	
12	186	Vengambur (P)	Vengambur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Unjalur Railway station 2 miles

## TALUK (Concl'd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

			80'00	...	...	...					
7,002	...	...					...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
			40'00	...	...	...					
Not stated	...	8'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

## DHARAPURAM TALUK

### 4. SIVANMALAI

#### Sri Subramaniaswami temple

Sivavakkīar (சிவவாக்கியர்) is one of the Siddhars who advocated revolutionary ideas discouraging idol worship, pilgrimage, caste system etc. but stressing that the conscience is the temple and that there is only one God and one caste. This is சிவவாக்கியம் (Sivavakiam) consisting of 500 songs which have been referred to by Saint Thayumanavar.

“நட்டகல்லைத் தெய்வம் என்று நாறு புட்பம் சாத்தியே  
சுற்றிவந்து முணமுணென்று சொல்லுமந்திரம் ஏதடா  
நட்டகல்லும் பேசுபோ நாதன் உள்ளிருக்கையில்  
சுட்டசட்டி சட்டுவம் கறிச்சுவை அறியுமே”

“கோவில் பள்ளி ஏதடா? குறித்து சின்று ஏதடா?  
வாயினால் தொழுநின்ற மந்திரங்கள் ஏதடா?  
ஞானமான பள்ளியில் நன்மையாய் வணங்கினால்  
காயமான பள்ளியில் காணலாம் இறையையே”

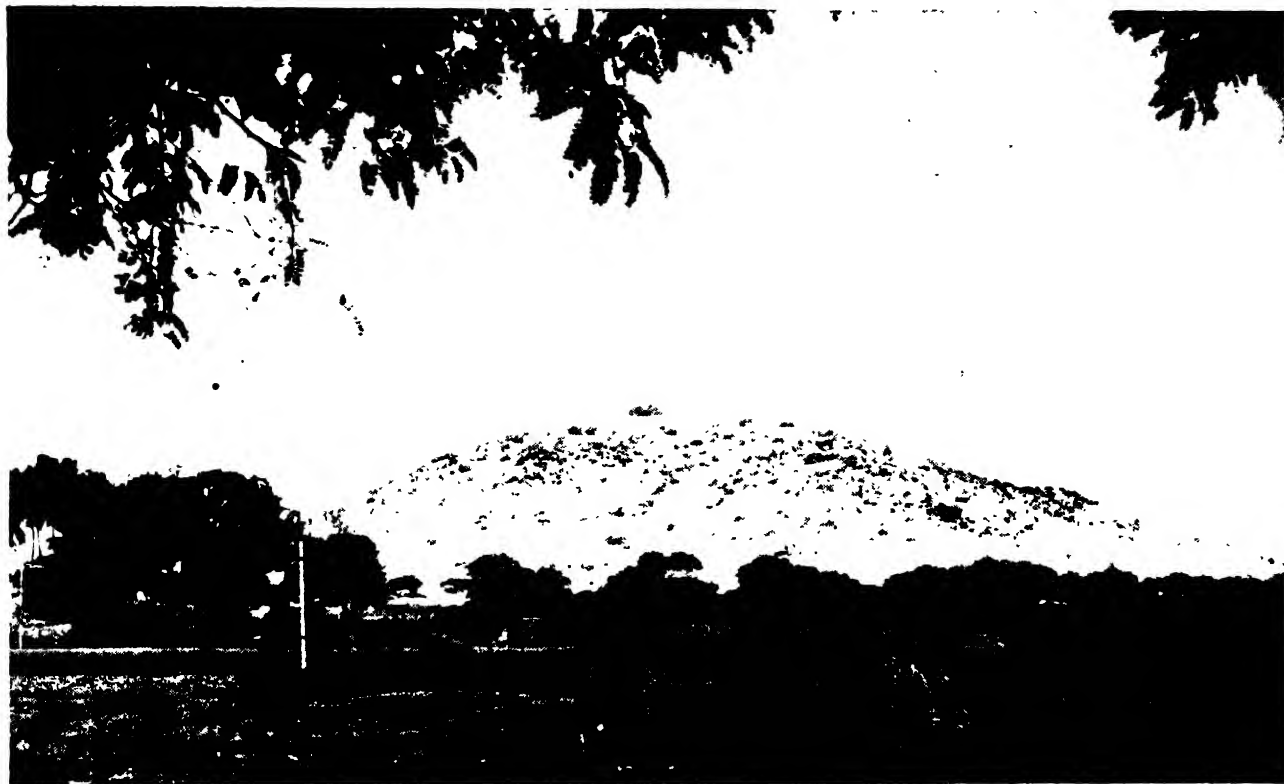
are his oft quoted verses which criticise idol worship and preach that God is in one's self. In all probability Sivavakkīar belongs to ninth century. But nothing is known about his life. However, there is a vague belief that he lived in Sivanmalai even though there is no direct evidence as the caves at Maruthamalai give for Bambatti Siddhar, at Chennimalai for Pinnakku Siddhar and at Palni for Bogar. There is only a temple dedicated to Lord Subramaniam on the hillock.

Sivanmalai village is at a distance of three miles from Kangayam town or 25 miles north of Dharapuram on the way to Gopichettipalayam and is a famous pilgrim centre in Dharapuram taluk. The temple is on a hillock and is reached by ascending about 200 stone steps. On every Amavasai day and Krithigai day large numbers of devotees visit this temple with a pot of curd or butter which they offer to the deity and worship at the temple. In the month of Adi (July-August) and Thai (January-February) two

important festivals are celebrated besides Thai Poosam, Panguni Uthiram and Skanda Shashti in the month of Aippasi (November). During these festivals pilgrims and devotees visit this temple carrying Kavadis as is being done at the famous Palni Andavar temple of Madurai district, about 30 miles from the village.

Tradition says that Sri Anjaneya (Hanuman) carried the Sanjivi Parvatham (hillock) in his hands and offered the medicinal herbs grown in it to save Lakshmana (brother of Sri Rama) who was lying breathless in the battle against Ravana due to the mighty arrows shot at him by Indrajit. When Sanjivi Parvatham was thus transported, two small bits fell from it which are now known as Sivanmalai and Udiyurmalai and are believed to have rare medicinal herbs capable of healing severe wounds caused by weapons.

Shafts of mines were found in Sivanmalai and Padiyur another nearby village from which white quartz, corundum, aqua marine and another amethystine stones were dug out. (Vide Nicholson's Manual of Coimbatore District 1887 edition). Mr. V. A. Smith in his History of India wrote, “the beryl or aqua marine gem which is closely related to the emerald, was highly esteemed by both Indians and Romans and often furnished material for the choicest achievements of the engraver's art. Its scarcity, except in India, tempted clever Indian forgers to fabricate imitations made from rock crystal. Three Indian mines are recorded - Punnata, Padiyur or Pattiali 40 miles from Coimbatore where a mine was worked successfully as late as 1820 and Vaniambadi”. For reasons unknown the quarrying of precious stones in the above places has been prohibited by the Government. Corundum from Padiyur was largely exported to Bombay and other places formerly. During World War II the mineral stones found to be scattered on Sivanmalai Hills was gathered for ammunition purposes. Residents of Anaikulmedu (also called Pachakkalmedu) which is a hamlet of Sivanmalai village, even to-day point out the well from which precious green stones were dug out



A view of the Subrahmaniaswami temple, Sivanmalai from a distance.



A view of the steps leading to the Hill temple.

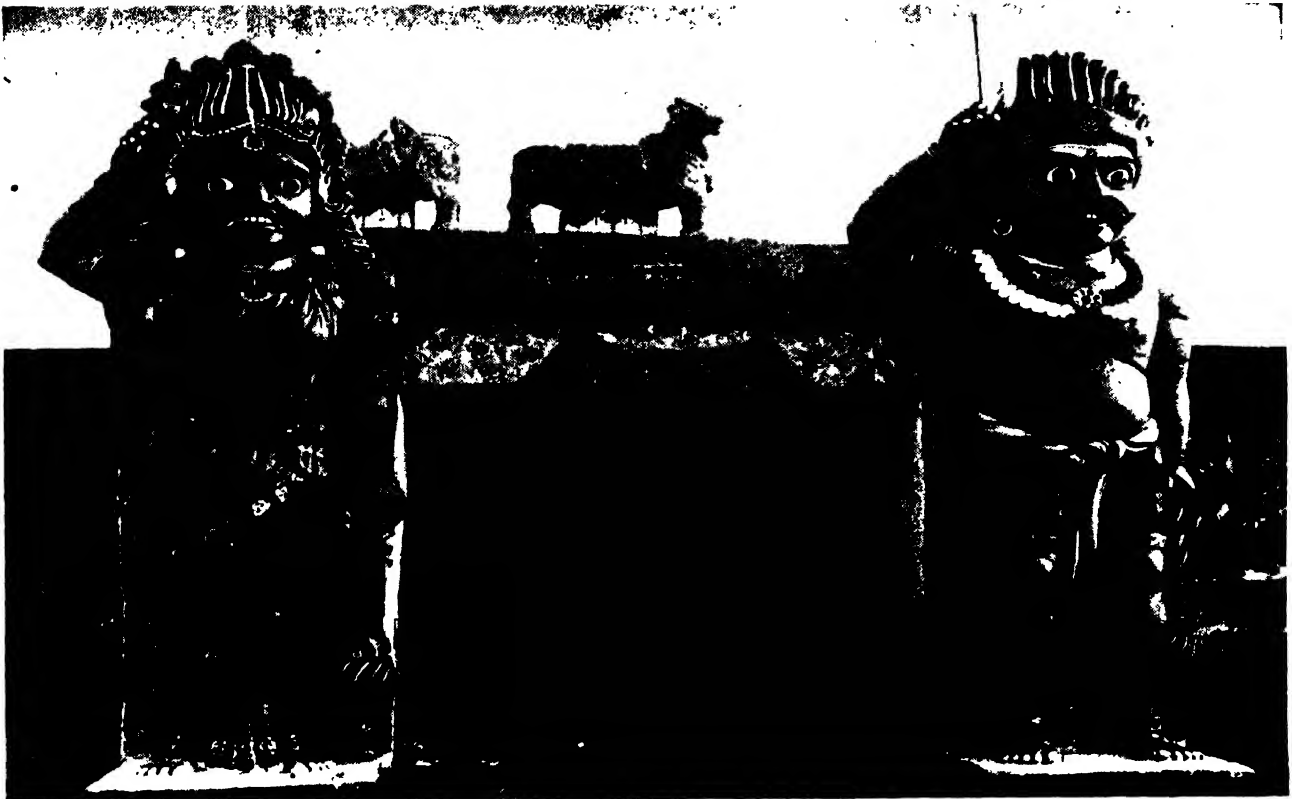


A mantapam in the temple.



A bicycle being offered to the deity.





Entrance to Natturayaswami temple.



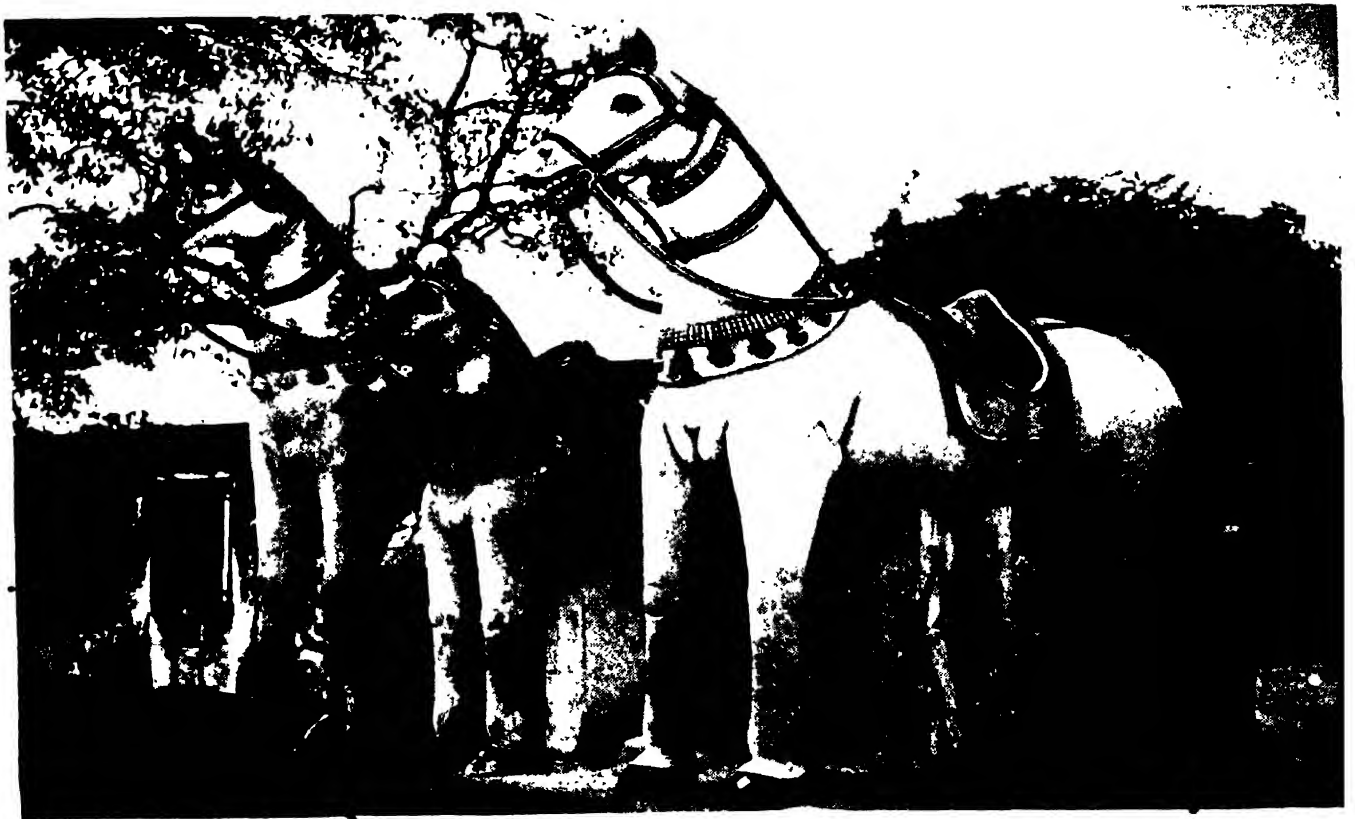
A file of horse statues in the temple.



*Image of Siva and Parvathi in the Natturayaswami temple.*



Siddhars performing penance — A sculpture in Veerakumaraswami temple.



Attraction images of horses in the Vellaikoil temple.



Entrance to Veerakumaraswami temple.

a century back. It is surmised that Punnata referred to above by Mr. Smith may be identified with Ponnuthu on the Blue Mountain Hills about 12 miles north of Coimbatore town, and noted for its waterfall.

Sri Arunagirinathar author of Thiruppugazh refers to Sivanmalai by its ancient name Pattiali in some of his stanzas in Tiruppugazh. The sthalapurana in Tamil by Ambalavana Kavirayar says that Pattialiur means the place where the dead persons (here the vedars or hunters) came back to life. The legend goes that God Subramania took away Valli from her kinsmen the Vedar *i.e.* hunters, who pursued Him and in the fight which took place, all the Vedars died on this hillock. On the request of Valli to bring back to life her dead kinsmen, He yielded to her wishes and restored them to life. Even though there is a separate niche for Valli and Deivayanai, the two consorts, the image of Valli alone has been installed along with the presiding deity in the main sanctum. It is believed that God Sri Subramania, the presiding deity of this temple appears in dreams to a spiritual man or woman and demands some offering. A bicycle, silver coins and gold chain are some such offerings made very recently. Besides such offerings, the temple has an annual income of about Rs. 2,500/- from landed properties, Rs. 5,000/- from hundi and Rs. 750/- from charges levied for Archanas, Abishekams etc.

The Gazetteer of Coimbatore District, (First edition) mentions that till 1283 A.D. Sivanmalai was under the Sway of Kongu Chieftains but in 1348 A.D. Vijayanagar forces invaded this place and kept it under their rule till 1565 A.D. Thereafter, Coimbatore District itself passed from the hands of the Carnatic Viceroy to the Madura Viceroy Veerappa Naicker who assigned it to Poligars now known popularly as Pattagars. The Pattagar of Palayamkottai is the chief patron of this celebrated Kongu temple at Sivanmalai.

#### 14. METTUPALAYAM

##### Natturayaswami temple

About 30 miles north-east of Dharapuram town, 60 miles east of Coimbatore city, 5 miles north of Vellaikoil and 25 miles south of Erode lies the famous village deity of Natturayaswami. Kodumudi is the nearest railway station and is about 15 miles away from this place. Every Tuesday, all the buses are diverted

through this village. Otherwise one has to get down on the main road from Vellaikoil to Erode and walk a distance of four furlongs to reach the temple. It represents a primitive but a powerful deity being worshipped in a truly primitive, less refined and less sophisticated temple without any architecture or sculpture. Besides a file of horse statues which is common in important temples dedicated to village deities, there are two big statues, one male and another female at the right hand side of the entrance. On the opposite side, there are four such pairs followed by a big statue for Mahamuni. Formerly goats were sacrificed in large numbers, say at the rate of 1,000 per week, and the blood was offered to Mahamuni. Even though it has been prohibited by legislative enactments, secret sacrifices appear to continue even now. Mahamuni is supposed to have been brought from the erstwhile Chera Kingdom and is considered powerful in curing madness. Just opposite to Mahamuni lies the ~~Sanctum~~ <sup>Sanctum</sup> sanctorum where the images of Nattarayan and Nachimuthu, the presiding deities, are installed. The temple is believed to be 500 years old.

The peculiar custom of addressing petitions to God the Almighty and filing in this temple deserves special attention. By this custom, the devotees set out their grievances in the form of an affidavit filed in courts of law and leave it in the temple. They have a firm belief that within a reasonable time, they get redress and justice is rendered to them. Temple authorities collect a fee of fifty paise for each such petition.

#### 30. VELLAIKOIL

##### Veerakumaraswami temple

Vellaikoil is a small but busy town 55 miles east of Coimbatore city or about 25 miles north east of Dharapuram town. The God worshipped is Muruga. A peculiar feature of this temple is that no woman can enter the temple. This recalls to our mind the practice of Todas in Nilgiris and the practice in Maharashtra, where Murugan is usually considered a misogynist or a woman hater, and women are not allowed to worship at His shrine. Statues have been installed for the eighteen siddhars within the temple. They are given as much importance as the 63 Nayanmars or saivite saints or the twelve Alvars of vaishnavite ect.

The practice of filing affidavits or addressing petitions to God Himself, explained in detail under Nattu-

rayaswami temple of 14. Mettupalayam panchayat is followed in this temple also. Poojas on behalf of the temple are performed during night on Mondays and Tuesdays. Local non-Brahmin Pandarams perform the pooja. பிழைமொழிச்சலம் or the chief annual festival takes place in the month of மார்ச் (February-March). Formerly animal sacrifice was done on a large scale but this has been discontinued.

The image of the presiding deity is Veerakumara Swami. Images of Kanniahthal, Muthukumaraswami, Karuppannaswami and Subramaniam are also found. There is also an image of Naripezha Gounder. All the images are made of clay. As such no அபிஷேகம் (Abishekam) is done to any of the deities in this temple. It is said that the temple is five generations old. It occupies a space of nearly one acre. Statues of big horses similar to those explained under Nattarayaswami temple, normally found in the temples of village deities, are found on both sides of the entrance. The temple is under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable (Administration) Department and is managed by a Board of 5 trustees.

The common legend of a cow offering its milk to the presiding deity is also associated with this temple. Besides this, it is said that one Palanichami Gounder gave his life in killing a fox which gave trouble to the local inhabitants. His image was therefore installed and is worshipped.

## 56. DHARAPURAM

### Sri Kadu Hanumanthaswami temple

Dharapuram, on the bank of the Amaravathi river, has the remains of a fort which was several times taken during the wars with Mysore. The town nearly disappeared, but was rebuilt after 1799 upon plans drawn up by Mr. Hurdis, who made it the headquarters of the then southern division. Tradition connects this place with King Virata of Mahabharata in whose kingdom the Pandavas spent their last year of exile incognito. The existence of a fine breed of cattle points to some connection with Virata's Kingdom which was famous for its cattle. Either Dharapuram or Kiranur, in Palni taluk of Madurai district, 10 miles from Dharapuram, is believed to be the place where Virata's brother-in-law, Keechaka, was killed in a duel by Bhima for insulting Droupathi. Kongu

Cholas appear to have held their capital here or at Karur, both on the Amaravathi river. The town has a number of Hanuman temples. At one stage there appeared to be a strong attempt to spread Saivism, as a result of which was built Agastheeswarar temple on the bank of river Amaravathi gifted with large extent of landed property for the upkeep of the temple. Before the arrival of the stone image of the presiding deity from Kasi or Banaras, the sage Agastheeswarar is believed to have made an image or Lingam with sand and worshipped. At present Hanuman temple predominates over other temples. Kadu Hanumanthaswami temple is one of such temples worshipped mostly by people belonging to Madhwa Community.

Hanuman is the son of wind God (Vayu Bhagavan). To represent this, an opening is left above the sanctum sanctorum enabling the presiding deity to enjoy wind, sun and rain alike. It is rare to find any notable temple in South India without a Vimanam or tower above sanctum. But the absence of a tower for this Hanuman temple is said to be due to the fact that when some devotees attempted to build a tower, the presiding deity appeared in their dreams and forbade them from doing so since Sri Anjaneya wanted to be exposed to the weather. The stone idol of Sri Anjaneya in the temple is about seven feet high with raised right hand and uplifted tail. The annual car festival of the temple is held in the month of Vaikasi or May-June or Sri Narasimha Jayanthi day. During the ten days on the festival, devotees of Madhwa community are fed on a large scale within the temple premises.

The outer structure and the buildings surrounding the temple are of recent origin. Originally there was only the idol of Sri Hanuman in the roofless temple surrounded by shrubs, prickly pear and thick bushes. Renovation and constructions were carried out by the late Mr. Hanumantha Rao, some 40 years ago. It is surmised that the temple came into existence during the 16th century, probably during the time of Sri Achutha Deva Raya. Nearly 20 small Hanuman temples are situated in and around this place.

## 70. PONNIVADI PANCHAYAT

### Bagavan temple at Kosuvalasu

At the 10th mile from Dharapuram towards Karur, a cart track branches towards south and leads to the



View of the gopuram, Veerakumaraswami temple.



Image of Hanuman in Kadu - Hanumanthaswami temple.



village Kosuvalasu which is 5 miles away. Here exists a temple dedicated to Lord Vishnu locally known as Bagavan temple. This is said to cure epidemics like plague, smallpox, cholera etc. Ugadhi in Panguni (i.e.) March-April is the chief annual festival in which about 500 to 700 devotees take a procession of Kavadi from here to Kodumudi about 40 miles away and return with the scared water from the river Kauveri, halting only at once place called Mayilrangam (மயிலரங்கம்).

The temple occupies a space of about 19,000 sq. ft. It has two mandapams on both sides of the front wall each measuring about 140 x 10 ft., the front one having 36 pillars and the other one having 16 pillars which are of ordinary nature. The temple was built 150 years ago at the place where one Thirumalai Swami lived.

Thirumalai Swami was born in 1780 as the son of a Karnam Samaiyangan, (சமையங்கம்) native of Thennamangalam Puththur about 5 miles west of Dharapuram. Right from his childhood he was very pious. He married twice and led a pious and religious life. He is believed to have mastered white magic and performed wonderful deeds by some mystic power. After pilgrimages to several sacred places, he settled at this place. After his death in 1839, his followers built this temple where he lived. The cot used by him has been preserved and is kept in front of the sanctum sanctorum.

Even though this is a Vaishnavite temple, there is an image of Vinayagar inside the temple. The presiding deity is in the form of a Lingam. Besides, holy ash (வெட்டி) is distributed to the devotees. Poojas are performed twice a day by a person belonging to Udaiyar community. The temple has an annual income of Rs. 5,000 from hundi.

## 78. KUMARAPALAYAM

### Sri Nattatheeswaran Koil at Vadugapatti

Vadugapatti lies at a distance of 20 miles east of Dharapuram. Moolanur lies at the 14th mile from Dharapuram on the road leading to Karur. The road to Vadugapatti branches at this place and can be reached after driving seven miles south. It is a very old temple said to have been built or renovated by Rajendra Cholan. Seven decades back one Nachimuthu Gounder did renovation. There were stone inscriptions, but all of them lay buried. The temple faces east and occupies an area of 153' x 105'. The image of the presiding deity is in the form of a Swayambu Lingam. On the 4th, 5th and 6th day of October, Sun's rays get into the sanctum sanctorum. Poojas are performed twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal. The temple owns six hundred acres of land. These were gifted during the Chola period. As such this must have been an important temple in the past. It has now lost its importance as a place of worship. No festival is conducted. The temple is managed by a single hereditary trustee.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	4	Sivanmalai	Sivanmalai	Sri Subramaniaswamy temple (M)	Not Known	0.50	Sri Subramaniaswami	Uthuhuli Railway station 12 miles
2	7	Keeranur	Keeranur	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal temple (V)	500	0.10	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal	do
3	..	do	do	Sri Adeeswarar temple (S)	500	0.50	Sri Adeeswarar	.
4	8	Peranjerivalli	Seviarapalayam	Sri Parameswarar-swami temple (S)	200	1.00	Sri Paramasivan	Engoor Railway station 9 miles
5	9	Marudurai	Marudurai	Sri Pachai Maragathavalli Sametha Patteeswara temple (S)	200	0.01	Sri Pachaimaragathavalli Sametha Patteeswarar	do
6	..	do	do	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	200	0.02	Sri Kasi Viswanathaswami	do
7	10	Nathakadayur	Nathakadayur	Sri Jayamkondeswaran temple (S)	Not Known	0.75	Sri Jayamkondeswaraswami	Frode Railway station 20 miles
8	12	Muthur	Muthur	Sri Soleeswaraswami temple (S)	1,000	3.30	Sri Soleeswarar	Kodumydi Railway station 10 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board</b>											
5,081*	...	...	...	465'00	24,039	.	Rathams-2 Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Poosam Skandha-sashti Surasamharam	.	No
200	...	...	...	42'85	...	..	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal		...	No
	..	..	..	109'14	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri	247-255 of 1920	...
450	3'00	64'00	..	..	.	Value not stated	Vimanams-3 Kedayam	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi 18th day	558-560 of 1908	.
250	...	...	...	409'34	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Ayudha Pooja Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	240 of 1920	...
450	...	3'60	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Pongal	...	No
638	...	...	...	1,005'24	...	...	Car	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
843	...	...	...	734'62	...	176	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi Adi 18th day Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri Arudhra Dharisanam	158-166 of 1910	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religion</b>								
9	13	Muthur	Mangalapatti	Sri Umayagiriannan temple (F)	500	0.03	Sri Umayagiri- amman	Erode Railway station 12 miles
10	14	Mettupalayam	Mettupalayam	Sri Nattaroyaswami temple (O)	500	1.00	Sri Nattaroya- swami	Kodumudi Railway station 16 miles
11	15	Velliarachal	Velliarachal	Sri Mantheeswara- swami temple (S)	100	0.80	Sri Mantheeswarar	Erode Railway station 25 miles
12	17	Pappini	Pappini	Sri Arudrakabalee- swarar temple (S)	Not Known	1.50	Sri Arudra Kabaleeswarar	Uthukuli Railway station 15 miles
13	19	Kangayam	Kangayam	Sri Kasiviswanatha- swami temple (S)	800	Not stated	Sri Kasiviswa- nathar	Uthukuli Railway station 14 miles
14	20	Pothiapalayam	Kadaiyur	Sri Vathamalai Muthukumaraswami temple (M)	2,000	1.00	Sri Muthukuma- raswami	Uthukuli Railway station 20 miles
15	24	Sangodam- palayam	Appiapalayam	Sri Kanchi Kumara- swami temple (M)	200	0.15	Sri Kanchikuma- raswami	Uthukuli Railway station 22 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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800	...	8.90	...	...	...	100	Peacock	Once a day by a Pandaram	Masi Magham Thai Poosam	...	No
8,631	...	...	...	...	3,087	...	..	Thrice a week by hereditary Pandarams	Thai Poosam Vinayaka Chathurthi Navarathri Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam, Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
575	Extent not stated			...	...	...	Ratham	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sura Samharam Karthigai Deepam	619-621 of 1905	...
200	...	...	...	10.05	...	Value not stated	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Panguni Uthiram Arudhra Dharisanam	230-239 of 1920	...
1,425	..	...	...	Garden 1.00	...	500	Rishabams-2 Peacock Aja Horse Suram Chapparams-2	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Skandha Sashti Sivarathri Arudhra Dharisanam	123-A	...
			...	92.55	...	150	Cars-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
			...	84.27	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
16	28	Pachapalayam	Kunnapuram	Sri Vikramasoleeswaraswami temple (S)	Not Known	0.75	Sri Vikramasoleeswarar	Erode Railway station 28 miles
17	30	Vellaikoil	Vellaikoil	Sri Soleeswaraswami temple (S)	800	0.75	Sri Soleeswaraswami	Kodumudi Railway station 18 miles
18	„	do	do	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	300	0.50	Sri Varadarajaswami	do
19	35	Thurambadi	Thurambadi	Sri Kulamanicka Perumal temple (V)	100	0.30	Sri Kulamanicka Perumal	Palni Railway station 37 miles
20	36	Mombadi	Mombadi	Sri Mandeaswarar temple (S)	1,200	0.75	Sri Mandeaswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 30 miles
21	46	Rudravathi	Kundadam	Sri Kongu Vadagnathaswami temple (S)	400	1.00	Sri Konguvadagnathaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 22 miles
22	47	Nandavanampalayam	Nandavanampalayam	Sri Vanjiamman temple (F)	150	0.57	Sri Vanjiamman	do
23	48	Sadayapalayam	Eragampatti	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)	1,000	0.50	Sri Nageswaraswami	Udumalpet Railway station 25 miles
24	53	Veerajimgalam	Mudukkam-palayam	Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)	100	0.04	Sri Karia Perumal	Palni Railway station 24 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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969 •	...	7.79	...	410.96	...	300	Rathams-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Thiruvathirai Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	218-224 of 1920	...
346	...	...	...	452.14	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
922	...	...	...	31.99	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	377.32	...	...	...	75	Vimanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	211 of 1920	...
255	...	...	...	440.94	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai	...	No
750	...	...	...	950.00	...	3,135	Chapparam Peacock Horse	Four times a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi 18th Day Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai	117-134 of 1920	...
900	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	900.00	...	...	Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Thiruvathirai	135-136 of 1920	...
200	17.24	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by an Archagar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
25	..	do	• Veerajiman-galam (Dharapuram Town)	Sri Chandrasekara Krishnaswami temple (S)	50	0.10	Sri Chandra-sekara Krishnaswami	Palni Railway station 25 miles
26	..	do	Konapuram	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	500	0.25	Sri Kalamman	Palni Railway station 27 miles
27	55	Kolathu-palayam	Karayur	Sri Neelambur Kali-amman temple (F)	200	1.30	Sri Neelambur Kalamman	Palni Railway station
28	56	Dharapuram (M)	Dharapuram (Bazaar Street)	Sri Sundara Ganesar temple (G)	100	0.06	Sri Sundara Vinayagar	Madathurkulam Railway station 15 miles
29	..	do	Dharapuram	Sri Agastheeswara-swamy temple (S)	150	1.00	Sri Agastheeswa-raswamy	} Madathurkulam Railway station 15 miles
30	..	do	do	Sri Uthira Veera-ragava Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Uthira Veera-raghava Perumal	
31	..	do	do	Sri Kalyanaramaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Kalyanarama-swami	
32	..	do	do	Sri Kadu Hanuman-tharoya swami temple (O)	200	0.02	Sri Kadu 'Anja-neyar	do



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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6,105	7.45	...	...	...	...	50	Chapparams-2	Twice a day by a Bhattachariar	Navarathri Sivarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Thiruvathirai	...	No
560	4.54	12.78	...	...	...	...	Lion Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Kalamman Festival	...	No
4,930	...	66.83	..	...	...	700	Kedayam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Ugadh Sivarathri Navarathri Ihai Poosam	..	No
1,043	...	..	...	Shops-4	...	500	...	Twice a day by Poosari	Ugadh Navarathri Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
	10.11	...	...	...	1,116	...	Chapparams-2 Rishabams-2 Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Sura-samharam Arudhra Dharisanam	262-266 of 1961 & 143-145 of 1920	
23,578	9.07	..	...	...	...	...	Garuda Horse Anjaneya				
	..	...	...	15.92	...	...	...				
4,882	1,196.00	...	...	...	10,067	...	Palanquin, Elephant, Horse, Lion, Rishabam Suriyan, Garudan Hanumar Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Hanumantha Jayanthi, Sri Ramanavami Narasimha Jayanthi Karthigai Deepam	..	

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
33	..	do	do	Sri Lakshmi Narasimhaswami temple (V)	80	0.02	Sri Lakshmi Narasimhaswami	Majathukulam Railway station 15 miles
34	..	do	do	Sri Thillaipuramman temple (F)	250	0.04	Sri Thillaipuramman	do
35	..	do	do	Sri Seetharamaswami temple (V)	60	0.01	Sri Seetharamaswami	do
36	..	do	do	Sri Veereswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	0.02	Sri Veereswaraswami	do
37	..	do	do	Sri Venugopala-krishna temple (V)	105	0.07	Sri Venugopala-krishna	do
38	..	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)			Sri Anjaneyaswami	
39	..	do	do	Sri Vaikolaram Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	150	0.02	Sri Anjaneyar	do
40	56	Dharapuram (M)	Dharapuram Veeraraghava-Agraharam	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	200	0.02	Sri Anjaneyar	do
41	..	do	Dharapuram town	Sri North Athoram Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	100	0.05	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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578	...	Extent not stated	...	...	..	50	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Narasimha Jayanthi	...	No
1,350	4.27	...	...	...	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	146 of 1920	...
360	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	75	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Ramana- navami Narasimha Jayanthi	...	No
900	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Lingayath	Karthigan Deepam Sivarathri	..	No
1,340	3.37	...	...	...	...	100	Chapparam	Twice a day by an Archagar	Gokulashtami Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	..	No
	2.83	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
1,267	6.29	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
1,200	2.83	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
659	2.54	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
42	"	do	do	Sri South Athoram Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	200	0.05	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	Madathukulam Railway station 15 miles
43	"	do	do	Sri Adikeswaraswami temple (V)	150	Not stated	Sri Adikesava Perumal	do
44	"	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.11	Sri Mariamman	do
45	"	do	Kolanjivadi	Sri Chokkanathaswami temple (S)	300	0.70	Sri Chokkanathaswami	do
46	"	do	do	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	300	0.16	Sri Venugopalakrishnaswami	do
47	"	do	Thenvoyalpalayam (Dharapuram town)	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Angalamman	do
48	59	Moolarpatti	Moolarpatti	Sri Angala Parameswari temple (F)	150	0.52	Sri Angala Parameswariamman	Udumalpet Railway station 18 miles

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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600	2.74	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
9 1/2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Rameswaram Navami Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Krishna Jayanthi	...	No
938	2.01	...	...	...	...	500	Lion Ajam	Poojas performed by hereditary Poosaris	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
1,095	4.66	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri	580-585 of 1893 & 155-157 of 1920	...
375	3.54	...	...	...	...	100	Garudan Palanquin Seshan	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Ugadhi Srijayanthi Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Sankaranthi	...	No
546	...	1.88	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pillai	No	...	No
360	Extent not stated			...	...	150	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
49	63	Muthiampatti	Muthiampatti	Sri Kariaperumal temple (V)	300	0.05	Sri Kariaperumal	Udumalpet Railway station 17 miles
50	65	Pothikampalayam	Pallikoothampatti	Sri Thanthonriswarar temple (S)	300	2.00	Sri Thanthonriswarar	Udumalpet Railway station 13 miles
51	66	Ponnapuram	Ponnapuram	Sri Kasiwiswanathaswami temple (S)	175	0.65	Sri Kasiwiswanathaswami	Madathukulam Railway station 15 miles
52				Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	0.35	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
53	67	Sinnakkampalayam	Sinnakkampalayam	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Palni Railway station 28 miles
54				Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)			Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	
55	68	Dalavoipatnam	Punjabatti	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Madathukulam Railway station 13 miles
56	"	do	Dalavoipatnam	Sri Kalliamman temple (F)	300	0.07	Sri Kalliamman	do
57	"	do	do	Sri Neelakanteswarar temple (S)	350	0.03	Sri Neelakanteswarar	do
58	"	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

250	...	33.22	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
234	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Pooja performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
201	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
9,320	...	44.27	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
450	...	20.27	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
968	4.20	...	...	...	...	31	Car Bhootham Lion Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Vellalar	Radhotsavam in Panguni	...	Yes
2,273	5.00	1.34	...	...	...	2	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	260 of 1961-62	...
2,265	4.31	8.77	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami	258-259 of 1961-62	...

**TEMPLES OF MADRAS STATE**  
**DHARAPURAM**

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
59	..	do	do	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	Madathukulam Railway station 13 miles
60	69	Alangiam	Alangiam	Sri Devanayagi- anman temple (F)	450	0.04	Sri Devanayagi- anman	Palni Railway station 16 miles
61	..	do	do	Sri Karpuranathar temple (S)	300	0.10	Sri Karpuranathar	do
62	..	do	do	Sri Thindeeswarar temple (S)	600	0.10	Sri Thindeeswarar	do
63	..	do	do	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	500	0.15	Sri Varadarajaswami	Palni Railway station 16 miles
64	71	Kongur	Kongur	Sri Pasupatheeswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.50	Sri Pasupatheeswaraswami	Palni Railway station 15 miles
65	73	Ponnivadi	Kosavalasu	Sri Thirumalaiswami <i>alias</i> Bagavan Koil (O)	150	0.15	Sri Bagavan Thirumalaiswami	Palni Railway station 32 miles
66	75	Mulanur	Mulanur	Sri Vanji Amman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Vanji Amman	Karur Railway station 31 miles
67	77	Kilangundal	Kilangundal	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Palni Railway station 33 miles



## TALUK (Contd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)</b>											
328	2.56	...	...	...	..	...	...	Twice a day by hereditary Brahmins	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami	...	No
845	2.37	13.07	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
513	1.65	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Padayachi	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,301	4.53	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
976	2.70	6.94	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
1,360	...	...	...	50.04	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	165-174 of 1920	...
8,160	...	...	...	...	...	50	Garuda	Thrice a day by a hereditary Vellala	Ugadi	...	No
300	...	...	...	71.00	...	210	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam	267-268 of 1961-62	...
2,000	...	26.36	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Nambigal	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

**Temples under the Hindu Religious**

68	78	Komara-palayam	Manjakkam-patti	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.60	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Oddan-chathiram Railway station 20 miles
69	82	Punjaithalaiyur	Nanjai Thaiyur	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	200	0.14	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	Karur Railway station 24 miles

**Temples outside the Hindu Religious**

1	4	Sivanmalai	Sivanmalai	Sri Pattali Palvenneeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.08	Sri Palvenneeswaraswami	Uthukuli Railway station 17 miles
2	8	Peranjerivalli	Peranjerivalli	Sri Mathyapureeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.40	Sri Mathyapureeswaraswami	Engoor Railway station 12 miles
3	..	do	do	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal temple (V)	Not Known	0.15	Sri Veeranarayana Perumal	do
4	9	Marudurai	Marudurai	Sri Kariakaliannan temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Kariakaliannan	Engoor Railway station 9 miles
5	14	Manthavaram	Manthavaram	Sri Mandeeswaraswami temple (S)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Mandeeswarar	Kodumudi Railway station 15 miles
6	19	Kangayam	Kangayam	Sri Prasanna Venkatramanaswami temple (V)	800	0.78	Sri Prasanna Venkatramanaswami	Uthukuli Railway station 14 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

2,000			Extent not stated			Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Vellalar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
549	5.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Madhwa	Sri Hanumantha Jayanthi Madhwa Navami	...	No

## and Charitable Endowments Board

Not stated	...	168.64	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	256-272 of 1920	...
232	...	...	...	157.69	...	Value not stated	Chapparams-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
Not stated	...	95.39	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	556-557 of 1908	...
Not stated	...	...	...	41.32	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
205	...	...	...	294.41	...	200	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	Yes

## DHARAPURAM

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
7	..	do	Agilandapuram	Sri Agastheeswaraswamy temple (V)	800	0.50	Sri Agastheeswarar	do
8	20	Pothiapalayam	Kadaiyur	Sri Kadeswaraswamy temple (S)	2,000	1.50	Sri Eswarar	Uthukuli Railway station 16 miles
9	22	Kurukkalpalayam	Kurukkalpalayam	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	Not known	0.31	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 17 miles
10				Sri Vanjamman temple (F)			Sri Vanjamman	
11	24	Sangodampalayam	Uthiyur	Sri Uthandavelayudaswami temple (M)	1,000	0.40	Sri Uthandavelayudhaswami	Uthukuli Railway station 22 miles
12				Sri Kailasanathar temple (F)			Sri Kailasanathar	
13	25	Arutholuvu	Arutholuvu	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	500	0.07	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Uthukuli Railway station 17 miles
14	..	do	do	Sri Pasupatheeswarar alias Thirukkeeswarar temple (S)	500	0.10	Sri Pasupatheeswarar	Uthukuli Railway station 17 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movableproperty Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for decipher- ed ones	Non- deci- phered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
229	...	...	...	282.35	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Mahasiva- rathri Vinayaga Chathurthi	241-246 of 1920	...
565	...	...	...	242.77	...	62	Cars-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Chithira Pournami Radhotsavam	289-290 of 1920	...
2,546	...	55.86	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	116 of 1920	...
								Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram			
Not stated	...	...	...	221.81	...	500	Chapparam Horse Peacock	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Skandasashti Ugadhi Navarathri Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Panguni Uthiram Thaipooosam Arudhra Dharisanam		
	...	...	...	90.35	...						
Not stated	...	32.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	...	...	Yes
Not stated	...	...	87.04	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
15	27	Lakkamanaic- kenpatti	Lakkamanaic- kenpatti	Sri Azhageswarar temple (S)	60	0.51	Sri Azhageswarar	Palani Railway station 35 miles
16	29	Nagamanaick- kenpatti	Uthamapala- yam	Sri Kasiviswanatha- swamy temple (S)	500	0.75	Sri Kasiviswa- nathaswamy	Kodumudi Railway station 30 miles
17	30	Vellakoil	Vellakoil	Sri Veerakumaraswamy temple (M)	500	1.00	Sri Veerakumara- swami	Kodumudi Railway station 18 miles
18	31	Velappanaic- kenvalasu	Mayilrangam	Sri Vaidhyanatha- swami temple (S)	Not Known	0.50	Sri Vaidhyanatha- swamy	Kodumudi Railway station 25 miles
19	32	do	do	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not Known	0.25	Sri Perumal	Kodumudi Railway station 30 miles
20	38	Sangarandam- palayam	Kovil Marava- palayam	Sri Apprameswara- swamy temple (S)	400	0.50	Sri Apprames- warar	Tiruppur Railway station 33 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

Not stated	...	675.06	...	...	...	75	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	210 of 1920	...
...	...	...	...	391.41	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car-2 Rishabam Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Soora Samharam Karthigai Deepam Thaipooasam Maha Sivara-thri, Ugadhi Panguni Uthiram	...	No
600	...	...	...	1155.72	...	500	Chappa-rams-3 Palanquin Kedayam	Once in a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi 18th day Navarathri Vinayaga Chathurthi Karthigai Deepam Skandha Shasti Thiruvathirai Thaipooasam Sankaranthi	213 of 1920	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	Yes
Not stated	...	...	...	159.85	...	Value not stated	Palanquins-3	Three times a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikasi Visagam Navarathri Thaipooasam Thiruvathirai	178-181 of 1920	

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
21	38	Sangarandam-palayam	Kovil Marava-palayam	Sri Tenneswaraswamy temple (S)	300	0.30	Sri Tenneswara-swami	Tiruppur Railway station 30 miles
22	46	Rudravathi	Kundadam	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	300	0.02	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 20 miles
23	56	Dharapuram (M)	Dharapuram	Sri Agora Veera-bhadra swamy temple (O)	Not Known	0.02	Sri Agora Veera-bhadraswamy	Tiruppur Railway station 10 miles
24	..	do	do	Sri Paranjothinathar temple (S)	150	0.04	Sri Paranjothees-warar	Madathukulam railway station 15 miles
25	59	Moolarapatti	Moolarpatti	Sri Venkateswara Perumal temple (V)	500	0.01	Sri Venkateswara Perumal	Udumalpet Railway station 18 miles
26	60	Marudur	Marudur	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Karivarada- raja Perumal	Pollachi Railway station
27	69	Alangiam	Alangiam	Sri Veeraraghu Vina-yagar temple (G)	600	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Palni Railway station 16 miles
28	..	do	do	Sri Kaliyuga Nathes-waraswamy temple (S)	500	0.10	Sri Kaliyuga Natheswara-swamy	Palni Railway station



## TALEUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fash 1375 by H. R. & C. L. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. L. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

Not stated	...	...	...	185.06	...	do	Palanqum	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
...	...	...	...	60.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
1,400	...	...	...	4.23	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Lingayath	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
750	...	Extent	not stated	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
Not stated	...	55.35	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
500	1.14	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
0	...	...	...	11.21	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
29	75	Mulanur	Mulanur	Sri Soleswaraswamy temple (S)	Not Known	0.57	Sri Soleswara-swamy	Karur Railway station 31 miles
30	78	Komarapala-yam	Vadugapatti	Sri Nattatheeswarar temple (S)	1,200	0.24	Sri Nattathees-warar	Karur Railway station 30 miles
31	82	Punjaithala-yur	Nanjai Thari-yur	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Aangalamman	Karur Railway station 22 miles
32	..	do	Kosavalam	Sri Thirumalaiswamy <i>alias</i> Bagavan temple (O)	150	0.50	Sri Thirumalai-swamy <i>alias</i> Bagavan	Palni Railway station 22 miles

## TALUK (Contd).

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

200	...	...	...	1,210'00	...	55	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Thaipooasam Vijaya <del>Amami</del> Karthigai Deepam	215 of 1920	..
...	...	..	...	625'10	...	15	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
300	...	18'25	...	...	...	100	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
5,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Velar	Ugadhi	...	No

## PALLADAM TALUK

### 40. SAMALAPURAM PANCHAYAT.

#### Sri Vazhai Thottathu Ayyan temple at Ayyampalayam

This is one of the two temples which yield the maximum annual income in Coimbatore District, the other one being Mariamman temple of Bennari, Gopichettipalayam taluk. Average annual income is one lakh of rupees; Rs. 40,000 as hundi collection Rs. 12,000 - as shops rent; Rs. 10,000 as charges from tonsure offerings; Rs. 8,000 as interest from investments; Rs. 4,000 as rents from rest houses; Rs. 1,500/- as income from lands; Rs. 1,200/- as charges for parking cycles; Rs. 1,000 by the way of sales of fowl and calves offered by devotees and Rs. 500 from flower stalls. The temple has invested about two lakhs of rupees in Government bonds.

Devotees have full freedom to get into the sanctum and perform poojas themselves. Unlike other temples, it is kept open at all times. Mondays, Fridays and New Moon days are considered auspicious. So devotees from various places of the district congregate on these days when special buses are run. Somanur is the nearest railway station three miles away. It is about 25 miles north east of Coimbatore city and can be reached by bus from Tiruppur, Palladam or Coimbatore.

Eventhough this is one of the richest temples of the district, garbagraham or sanctum is constructed with mud wall with tin roof. Devotees believe that any improvement in the structure will only result in the loss of the devine power of the place and so modern type of constructions are confined to the mandapams in front.

The worship is offered to a கௌவை or கிஷ்கவை tree and small installed lingam kept inside. Devotees get inside garbagraham or the sanctum which is not normally permitted in any other temple, worship the deity, and in token of their worship apply the sand on their forehead just as one applies விழுது or the holy ash.

This is made possible as the floor inside the sanctum is not built or plastered.

It is a common practice in Tamilnad especially in Kongu country to address a man of respect as அய்யன் (Ayyan). Chinnaiah Gounder was one of such respected persons who, about 150 years back, migrated to this place from another village, Mopparipalayam near Annur 15 miles away. He migrated for earning his livelihood, became rich and acquired a tope of plantain trees. He became a disciple of a saint after which he cured snake bites and bites from other venomous creatures. He was killed by his own cow in the month of மார்ச்சு (Maragazhi or December-January) on திருவாதிரை (Thiruvathirai) day when all the folks of the village were away to the temple at Perur. After their return, he was buried and forgotten. But he appeared in a dream and informed of a Lingam, which, he wished to be installed and worshipped for the cure of bites. The Lingam was accordingly found and was installed at the place where 'Ayyan' was killed in his 'Vazhai Thottam'. To their surprise, people got cured by the worship and application of the sand. This is how the temple has acquired its fame. Annual festival is celebrated on திருவாதிரை (Thiruvathirai) day in the month of மார்ச்சு (December-January) to coincide with the death anniversary of Ayyan.

Besides the devotees' offerings, temple poojas are performed four times a day by a non-Brahmin priest. The temple occupies a space of one acre. It is managed by a Board of three trustees and one Executive Officer.

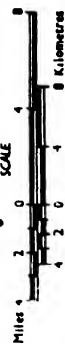
### 101. MALAIPALAYAM

#### Mandhiragiri Velvudhaswami temple

SENJERI Malai is a Subramania Sthalam. Arunachariar has sung in his "Thiruppugazh" about the deity in this temple. In his days, the temple was

MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN

AVANASHI, COIMBATORE & PALLADAM TALUKS



GORICHETTI PALAYAM TALUK

COONHOOR TALUK  
NIGULI DISTRICT

AVANASHI TALUK

ERODE TALUK

COIMBATORE TALUK

KERALA

DHARAPURAM TALUK

POLLACHI TALUK

UDUMALPET TALUK

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- District Boundary - - - - -
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Categories of Temples and  
their Symbols.

- Siva . . . . . ●
- Vishnu . . . . . □
- Murugan . . . . . ■
- Ganapati . . . . . ○
- Annam . . . . . △
- Others . . . . . ●
- Location Code Number 79



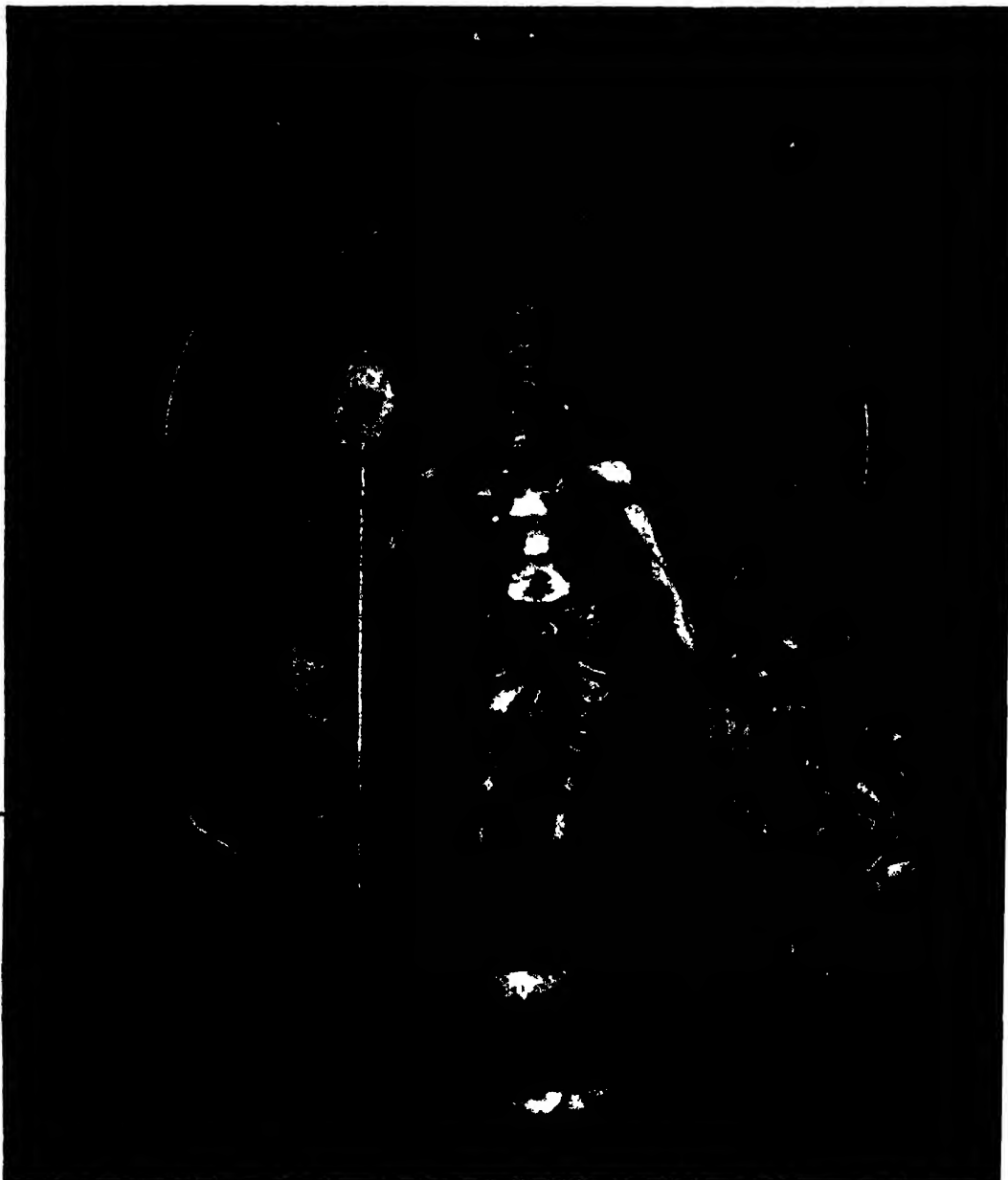


Vazhai Thottathu Ayyan temple at Ayyampalayam.



**Sanctum Sanctorum — Ayyan temple.**





Uthsavamurthi — Ayyan temple.





Mandhiragiri Velayudhaswami Temple.



A view of the weekly shandy at Senjeri from the Hill temple.

known as "Thenserigiri". He has observed the cock in one of the twelve hands of the Lord and has mentioned about it in the sacred song. Two songs of his are devoted to this temple. It was also known as Mandhiragiri (மந்திரகிரி (i.e.) மந்திரைப்பவரை, திர—காப்பாற்றும் படியான, கிரி—மலை) which means the mountain that saves them who thinks about (in this context worship) it.

On the Pollachi—Palladam main road, 20 miles from Pollachi and 10 miles from Palladam a road branches off to Udumalpet which is 20 miles away. On the 2nd mile from this point is the hill temple of Subramania. The hill and temple rise to a height of 150 feet. A flight of steps from the eastern slope leads upto the temple on the top. A recently built road on the western slope enables cars and lorries to reach the temple. About 4 furlongs from this hill to the west is situated the hill temple of Sri Vishnu popularly known as the "Perumal Malai". Between these two hills runs the new main channel from Parambikulam Project.

Subramania here is also called "Manthrachalaperman". The main deity is Subramania with Valli and Deivayanai in front of Peacock, which faces north. As the temple is very old, it is much damaged. Renovation work has therefore been undertaken. Major portion of the temple has now been dismantled leaving only the Subramania gopuram with Artha Mandapam and Mahamandapam. Gopurams for Vinayakar, Parvathi, Sivalinga, Mahavishnu and a four-pillared mandapam for Subramania (Uthsavar) are envisaged in the renovation. Old stones available from the original

structure are being reshaped and laid in proper places. The stones for the new gopurams are cut out from suitable rocks on the western side of the hill. The workmen for stones are brought from outside places and are colonised in temporary houses built for the purpose.

A flight of steps down from the northern gate leads to a water-spring called THEERTHA SUNAI. It stores up rain water. This water is used for all pooja purposes throughout the year. Water is used by pilgrims for bathing also. North of this water spring, a little higher up is another Sunai smaller in size. This water is used for washing clothes, vessels etc. On the west also is a small SUNAI called THARPPAI SUNAI. On the east of the main Sunai is the temple for Idumbar and south of this small temple is a big overhanging rock under which the tonsure for children is done. The chief annual car festival is held in the month of Thai (January–February). A weekly shandy takes place here every Wednesday and is attended by a crowd of nearly 3,000 persons. Poojas are performed four times a day by Brahmin priests.

When the temple renovation is completed, the place will look magnificent. By that time, the whole surrounding fields would have benefitted by the life giving waters of Parambikulam Project. About 100 small villages look to this temple for their divine worship. Families, whose forefathers once lived in these villages, still observe this as their family deity. The temple is managed by a Board of five trustees.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	4	Thoravalur (P)	Thoravalur	Sri Iravatheeswarar temple (S)	Not known	1.00	Sri Iravatheeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 11 miles
2	..	do	do	Sri Alagaroyaperumal temple (V)	100	0.15	Sri Alagaroya Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 15 miles
3	6	Perumanallur	Perumanallur	Sri Uthamalingeeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.25	Sri Uthamalingeeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 8 miles
4				Sri Adikesavaperumal temple (V)		0.15	Sri Adikesava Perumal	
5	14	Thottupalayam (Part P.)	Thottupalayam	Sri Mariamman <i>alias</i> Sri Palladathamman temple (F)	160	0.50	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 2 miles
6				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
7	16	Mudali-palayam	Mudali-palayam	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Uthukuli Railway station 2½ miles
8	..	do	do	Sri Maiporulnathar temple (S)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Maiporulnathaswami	do
9	..	do	do	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Kaliamman	do
10	19	Tiruppur (M)	Tiruppur	Sri Hanumantharaya-swami temple (O)	Not known	0.08	Sri Hanumantharaya-swami	Tiruppur Railway station ½ mile

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board</b>											
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai	...	No
Dastic allowance 511			Extent not stated			...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram		...	No
	...	...	...	0.15							
2,659					...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	356-364	...
	...	...	...	0.15	...	...	...				
250	...	...	13.00	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
400			Extent not stated		...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
600			Extent not stated		...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	354	...
400			Extent not stated		...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No		No
205	...	...	...	5.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
11	19	Tiruppur (M)	Tiruppur	Sri Kannikaparameswariamman temple (F)	60	0.02	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Tiruppur Railway station 1/2 mile
12	..	do	do	Sri Veeraraghava Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.68	Sri Veeraraghava Perumal	do
13				Sri Visweswaraswami temple (F)	Not known	0.49	Sri Visweswaraswami	
14	..	do	do	Sri Kulala Pillaiar temple (G)	200	0.14	Sri Vigneswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 4 mile
15	..	do	Venkatesapuram H/o Tiruppur	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswariamman temple (F)	5	0.15	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 1 mile
16	20	Andipalayam	Andipalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.08	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 5 miles
17				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)			Sri Sellandiamman	
18	22	Sammandampalayam (P)	Sammandampalayam	Sri Mahaliyamman temple (F)	340	Not stated	Sri Mahaliyamman	Somanur Railway station 3 miles



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others							
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Chafitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

2,617	Extent not stated				3,428	...		Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
							Rathams-2 Garudan Rishabam				
8,162	Extent not stated			Shops Buildings	...	...		Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Ekadesi	...	No
									Navarathri	...	No
1,121	...	...	...	Shops-4	...	1,200	Bandicoot	Twice a day by a hereditary Udayar	Tamil New Years Day Vinayaka Chathurthi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thaiposam Sivarathri Ugadhi	...	No
856	...	...	...	Shops	...	250	Lion	Once a day by Devangu Chettiar	Navarathri Mahasivarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Ugadhi	...	No
250	...	12-00	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
4,623	Extent not stated				...	100	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mahasivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
19	23	Karumatham-patti	Karumatham-patti	Sri Kariamanicka Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.15	Sri Kariamanicka Perumal	Somanur Railway station 2 miles
20	26	Paduvampalli	Paduvampalli	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	150	0.50	Sri Kariakaliamman	Somanur Railway station 8 miles
21				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
22	29	Arasur (P)	Arasur	Sri Kanniappar temple (O)	150	1.18	Sri Kanniappar	Sulur Railway station 2½ miles
23	35	Chinnampalayam (P)	Venkitapuram	Sri Karanaperumal temple (V)	150	0.20	Sri Karana Perumal	Irugur Railway station 3 miles
24	36	Irugur (P)	Irugur	Sri Neelakanteswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.25	Sri Neelakanteswarar	Irugur Railway station
25	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.15	Sri Mariamman	do
26				Sri Ponniamman alias Ponnuramman temple (F)			Sri Ponniamman alias Ponnuramman	
27	..	do	do	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	300	0.05	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

462	4'00	...	...	16'40	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
450	...	14'42	...	...	...	...	Chapparam-2	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
290	...	36'10	...	...	...	..	...	Once a day by a hereditary Konar	No	...	No
600	...	...	...	..	...	...	Vimanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
400	2'38	..	...	...	..	200	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
450	2'54	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
304	...	6'37	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Gokulashtami	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
28	36	Irugur (P)	Irugur	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Angalamman	Irugur Railway station
29	„	do	do	Sri Kothandaramaswami temple (V)	40	0.01	Sri Kothandaramaswami	do
30	37	Sulur (P)	Sulur	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	150	0.25	Sri Angalamman	Sulur Railway station 2 miles
31	„	do	do	Sri Ayyanarswami temple (O)	300	1.25	Sri Ayyanarswami	do
32	40	dd	Ayyampalayam	Sri Valaithottathu Ayyanar temple (O)	40	1.00	Sri Valaithottathu Ayyanar	Somanur Railway station 3 miles
33	„	do	Samalapuram	Sri Samalapuriamman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Soundeswari- amman	Somanur Railway station 1 mile
34	„	Samalapuram (P)	Samalapuram	Sri Soleswaraswami temple (S)	1,000	0.40	Sri Soleswarar	do
35	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	800	0.50	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
36	„	do	Valayuthampalayam	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	150	1.00	Sri Kulanthai- velayudhaswami	Somanur Railway station 4 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

449	2:00	...	...	Shop	...	1,000	Lion Vimanam	Once a day by a hereditary Devar	Sivarathri	...	No
775	...	...	...	1:59	...	...	...	Once a week by a Devar		...	No
920	3:39	...	...	...	...	...	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Sivarathri Kundam Festival	...	No
700	2:55	...	...	...	...	30	Elephant	Twice a day by a hereditary Udaiyar	No	...	No
97,004	...	...	...	12:00	1,365	...	...	Four times a day by a Poosari	Thiruvathirai	...	Yes
1,000	...	...	...	13:60	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Anman Festival once in a year	...	Yes
831	9:00	...	...	...	...	150	Rishabam	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,161	9:26	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
679	2:14	...	...	12:00	...	Value not stated	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Thaipoozam Surasamharani	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
37	41	Ichipatti (P)	Ichipatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Somanur Railway station 3½ miles
38	46	Muthana palayam	Koluvalli (Muthunarayana palayam)	Sri Ugandeswarar temple (S)	200	0.05	Sri Ugandeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 5 miles
39				Sri Soundaravalliamman temple (V)			Sri Soundaravalliamman	
40	..	do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	100	0.75	Sri Alaganachiamman	do
41	50	Karaipudur (P)	Allalapuram	Sri Alageswarar temple (S)	167	1.00	Sri Alageswaraswami	Tiruppur Railway station 7 miles
42				Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	167	0.50	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
43	..	do	Nochipalayam-palayam	Sri Karuppurayan temple (O)	100	0.50	Sri Karuppurayan	Tiruppur Railway station 5 miles
44	54	Palladam (P)	Palladam	Sri Kalinganarthana Krishnaswami temple (V)	120	0.50	Sri Kalinganarthana Gopalakrishnar	Tiruppur Railway station 10 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

400	...	6.58	...	Garden 14.69	...	77	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	26.60	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
200	...	32.58	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
375	...	...	...	328.82	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai	...	No
375	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadas	...	No
625	...	8.99	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Gounder	Festival in Panguni	...	No
812	...	...	...	37.48	...	...	Garudan	Twice a day by an Archagar	Navarathri Sri Ramanavami Goku- lashtami Chithirai Pournami	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
45	54	Palladam (P)	Palladam	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	45	0.06	Sri Selva Vinayagar	do
46				Sri Balasubramaniaswami temple (M)			Sri Baladhanda-yadhapani	
47	54	do	do	Sri Pongaliannan temple (F)	200	0.66	Sri Pongaliannan	do
48	„	do	do	Sri Arulanandaswami temple (O)	100	0.07	Sri Arulanandaswami	do
49	„	do	do	Sri Mahaliannan temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Mahaliannan	do
50			Palladam Town (Pachapalayam St.)	Sri Mahaliannan temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Mahaliannan	Tiruppur Railway station 10 miles
51				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 10 miles
52	58	Puravoi (P)	Puravoi	Sri Thanthoniswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.02	Sri Thanthoniswarar	Sulur Railway station
53	60	Kalangal (P)	Kalankal	Sri Kalyana Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	150	0.25	Sri Kalyana Venkataramanaswami	Sulur Railway station 3 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

276	..	...	...	Shops-2	..	100	Peacock	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
444	..	..	..	135 60	..	Value not stated	Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
421	...	..	...	One building Garden 8.63	...	...	...	No poojas	No	..	Yes
488	...	..	...	Shops-5	...	..	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	..	...	Shops-2	...	...	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
200	...	..	..	..	1.25	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	Annual festival in Chitrai	...	No
300	...	Extent not stated	..	..	..	..	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	..	No
757	...	8.14	...	19.28	..	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Krishna Jayanthi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious.</b>								
54	64	Peedampalli (P)	Peedampalli	Sri Kalyana Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	300	0.35	Sri Kalyanavenkataramanaswami	Singanallur Railway station 7 miles
55	67	Karadibavur (P)	Karadibavur	Sri Nandanam Kari Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Kari Varadarajaperumal	Somanur Railway station 9 miles
56	72	Madapur (P)	Thothampatti	Sri Karana Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Karana Varadarajaperumal	Tiruppur Railway station 15 miles
57	..	do	Madapur	Sri Muthukumaraswamy temple (M)	Not known	0.20	Sri Muthukumaraswami	Tiruppur Railway station 12 miles
58	75	Alagumalai (P)	Koulpalayam	Sri Ramaswamy temple (V)	100	0.50	Sri Ramaswamy	do
59	79	Vadamalai-palayam	Nathagoundanpalayam	Sri Uradi Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.14	Sri Vinayagar	Tiruppur Railway station 17 miles
60	80	V. Kallapalayam (P)	Kallapalayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Somanur Railway station 3 miles
61	..	do	Putherichal	Sri Soleeswaraswamy temple (S)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Soleeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 18 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for decipher- ed ones	Non- decipher- ed but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

250	...	21.98	...	...	...	25	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
400	...	...	...	11.04	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	...	..	No
600	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	No	..	No
288	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Soora Samharam	...	Yes
800	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by hereditary Gounders	No	..	No
200	...	...	...	0.60	...	...	...	Once in a day by a Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi Maha Sivarathri Saraswathi Pooja Karthigai Deepam Tamil New Year's Day	...	No
600	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
608	...	69.00	...	...	...	100	Vimanam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Sivarathri Thiruvathirai	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious.</b>								
62	82	Kethandur (P)	Chajadi- g layam	Sri Prasanna Venka- tesaperumal temple (V)	do	0.02	Sri Prasanna Ven- katesaperumal	Tiruppu Railway station
63	..	do	..	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.03	Sri Mariamman Pongaliamman	Tiruppu Railway station
64	84	K. Krishna- puram	Kamanaicken- palayam	Sri Karivaradaraja- perumal temple (V)	475	0.06	Sri Kari Varada- rajaperumal	Tiruppur Railway station 15 miles
65	85	Puhyampatti (P)	Puhyampatti	Sri Karivaradaraja- Perumal temple (V)	60	0.25	Sri Kari Varada- rajaperumal	Mangalam Railway station. 12 miles
66	87	Selakkarichal (P)	Lakshminai- kanpalayam	Sri Venugopala Deivanayagaperumal temple (V)	100	0.75	Sri Venugopalar	Sulur Railway station 9 miles
67	88	Edayapalayam (P)	Edayapalayam	Sri Baladhandayudha pani temple (M)	1,000	0.05	Sri Baladhandayu- dhapani	} <u>Chettipalayam</u> Railway station 5 miles
68				Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	150	1.00	Sri Venugopala- swamy	

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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201	...	24.77	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	o	...	No
360	...	29.64	...	...	...	150	Vimanam	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram		...	No
311	...	32.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Krishna Jayanthi Sri Rama Navami Karthigai Deepam	...	No
2.4	...	...	...	11.38	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Sri Rama- navami	...	No
3,499	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	4,119	Garudan Horse Seshan Kedayam	Four times a day by a Bhattachariar	Sri Jayanthi, Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Navarathri	...	No
1 044	...	...	...	54.20	...	15	Peacock	Twice a day by a Bhatta- chariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Surasam- haram Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam • Thai Poosam Masi Maham	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Peacock Swan	Twice a day by a Bhatta- chariar	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Navarathri	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
69	88	Edayapalayam (P)	Edayapalayam	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	1,000	0.15	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Chettipalayam Railway station 5 miles
70	90	Pachapalayam (P)	Periakailai	Sri Kailaiamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Kuzhilamman	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
71				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
72	91	Bogampatti (P)	Bogampatti	Sri Marianman temple (F)	40	0.25	Sri Mariamman	Chettipalayam Railway station 6 miles
73				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)		0.52	Sri Sellandiamman	
74	„	do	do	Sri Vanjamman temple (F)	60	1.11	Sri Vanjamman	do
75	92	Vadavalli	Thottipalayam	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.10	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Sulur Railway station 15 miles
76	„	do	Vadavalli	Sri Soleswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.05	Sri Soleswaraswami	Sulur Railway station 15 miles
77	„	do	do	Sri Vanjamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Vanjamman	do
78	93	Varapatti (P.)	Varapatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 20 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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450*	...	...	...	20.55	...	25	Surabathman Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam	...	No
250	..	...	...	36.00	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Tiruvathurai	...	No
	...	...	...	25.34	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Mariamman Festival in Ippasi	..	No
250	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300	...	...	...	21.64	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
350	...	...	...	28.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naidu	No	...	No
250	...	...	...	37.51	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
200			...	27.57	...	...	...	No poojas	No	...	No
300			...	14.83	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
79	94	Vadambacheri	Vadambacheri	Sri Kariakali- amman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Kariakali- amman	Sulur Railway station 15 miles
80	98	Vadaveelam- patti (P.)	Vadaveelam- patti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	160	0.25	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 24 miles
81	100	Poorandam- palayam (P)	Poorandam- palayam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	350	0.10	Sri Sellandi- amman	Pollachi Railway station
82	101	Malapalayam	Malapalayam (Senjerimalai)	Sri Mantharagiri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	Not Known	0.75	Sri Mantharagiri Velayuthaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 25 miles
83	103	Thalakkurai (P.)	Karayam- palayam	Sri Urangachavadi Madathu Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Iragur Railway station
84	104	Senjeriputhur (P.)	Senjeriputhur	Sri Karana Varada- rajar temple (F)	200	0.29	Sri Karana Varadarajar	Udumalpet Railway station 17 miles
85	105	J. Krishna- puram	J. Krishna- puram	Sri Madathu Vinaya- gar temple (G)	200	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Udumalpet Railway station 20 miles
86				Sri Vengiamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Vengiamman	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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450	...	...	..	21.80	...	25	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
750	...	...	..	37.46	...	Value not stated	Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by a Poosari	<del>Swam in</del> Purattas.	...	No
250	...	14.42	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
2,263	...	.	...	277.44	...	15,000	Cars-2 Palanquin	Four times a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Tamil New Year's Day Adi 18th day Ani Thirumanjanam Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Vinayaka Chathurthi	178-182 of 1927	...
450	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
375	...	...	...	24.36	...	2,000	...	Twice a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
900	...	...	...	38.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	2	Sokkanur (P)	Sokkanur	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	300	0 10	Sri Angalamman	Uthuli Railway station 12 miles
2	3	Merkupattu (P)	Merkupattu	Sri Iravatheeswarar temple (S)	300	Below 0'01	Sri Iravatheeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 12 miles
3	4	Thoravalur (P)	Thoravalur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not Known	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 12 miles
4				Sri Angalamman temple (F)			Sri Angalamman	
5				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)			Sri Sellandiamman	
6				Sri Mahalamman temple (F)			Sri Mahalamman	
7	6	Perumanallur (P)	Perumanallur	Sri Kondattukali- amman temple (F)	Not known	0'25	Sri Kondattukali- amman	Tiruppur Railway station 8 miles
8				Sri Hanumantharaya- swami temple (O)		0'15	Sri Hanumantharaya- swami	
9	7	Ettiveeram- palayam (P)	Ettiveeram- palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not Known	0 01	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 7 miles
10				Sri Mahalamman temple (F)			Sri Mahalamman	
11				Sri Annamam temple (F)			Sri Annamam	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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150	...	...	...	3.74	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Mudalar	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	..	No
511		Extent not stated					..	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri <del>Navarathri</del> Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam	..	Yes
100	0.36	..	...	...	...	...	..	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	..	No
...	...	..	...	9.31	...	1,000	Bhootham Lion Elephant Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
...	...	...	...	0.15	...	..	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	Poojas performed by a Pandaram	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
12	8	Pongupalayam (P)	Pongupalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.07	Sri Mariamman	Tiruppur Railway station 7 miles
13	12	Chettipalayam (Part) (P)	Chettipalayam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)		0.02	Sri Sellandiamman	Tiruppur Railway station 4 miles
14				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Mariamman	
15	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Angalamman	Tiruppur Railway station 4 miles
16	15	Mannarai (P)	Mannarai	Sri Bhagavathiamman temple (F)	70	0.04	Sri Bhagavathiamman	Tiruppur Railway station 2½ miles
17	16	Mudali-palayam (P)	Mudali-palayam	Sri Hanumantharayasawmi temple (O)	80	0.50	Sri Hanumantharayasawmi	Uthukuli Railway station 4 miles
18	17	Nachi-palayam (P)	Nachi-palayam	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	200	0.60	Sri Subramaniaswami	Uthukuli Railway station 5 miles
19	18	Nallur (P)	Nallur	Sri Visweswaraswami temple (S)	120	1.50	Sri Visweswaraswami	Coolipalayam Railway station 3 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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No <sup>e</sup> stated	...	10.00	...	...	...	200	Lion	Twice a day by a Poosari	Vinayaga Chaturthi Sivarathri	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	15.04	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	7.88	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
150	...	6.72	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
300	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	1,000	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	400	Chapparams-2	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
20	19	Tiruppur (M)	Tiruppur	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.50	Sri Sellandiamman	Tiruppur Railway station 3 mile
21				Sri Mahaliamman temple (F)	60	0.07	Sri Mahaliamman	
22				Sri Soundiamman temple (F)	60	0.04	Sri Soundiamman	
23				Sri Pattathalachi- amman temple (F)	60	0.23	Sri Pattathalachi- amman	
24	26	Paduvampalli	Paduvampalli	Sri Karupparayan temple (O)	150	Not stated	Sri Karupparayan	Somanur Railway station 8 miles
25				Sri Venkata Perumal temple (V)			Sri Venkata Perumal	
26	37	Sulur (P)	Sulur	Sri Tiruvengidana- tha Perumal temple (V)	150	0.50	Sri Tiruvengidana- natha Perumal	Sulur Railway station 2 miles
27				Sri Vaitheswara- swami temple (S)		0.75	Sri Vaitheswara- swami	
28	"	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.40	Sri Mariamman	Sulur Railway station 17 miles
29		do	do	Sri Mahaliamman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Mahaliamman	Sulur Railway station 17 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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...	Not stated	...	...	Shops	}	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	...	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	Shops		...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	9.21	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	10.53	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Car Palanquin Kedayam	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Vijayadasami	...	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Peacock Kedayams-2	...	Soora Samharam	...	...	No
480	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Masi	...	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	Shop	...	Value not stated	Chapparam Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Udayar	No	...	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
30	41	Ichipatti (P)	Ichipatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Somanur* Railway station 3½ miles
31	45	Veerapandi (P)	<del>Tut</del> mpa- layam	Sri Idumbakumara- swamy temple (M)	300	0.25	Sri Subramaniam	Tiruppur Railway station 4 miles
32	46	Muthanam- palayam (P)	Muthanam- palayam	Sri Periaalagu Nachi- amman temple (P)	200	0.06	Sri Periaalagu Nachiamman	Tiruppur Railway station 5 miles
33				Sri Chinnamman temple (P)			Sri Chinnamman	
34		do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	250	0.05	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
35		do	do	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.03	Sri Selva Vinaya- gar	do
36	..	do	Koilvalli	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	150	0.15	Sri Angalamman	do
37	50	Karaipudur (P)	Karaipudur	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	500	0.75	Sri Kariakali- amman	Tiruppur Railway station 6 miles
38	52	do	Naranapu- ram	Sri Angala Parames- wariamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Angala Para- meswari- amman	Tiruppur Railway station 10 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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80	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
350	...	40'00	...	Garden 10'00	...	Value not stated	Chapparam Horse Peacock	Not stated	hāi Poosari Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
350	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Not stated	No	...	No
300	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Not stated	No	...	No
50	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Not stated	No	...	No
...	...	15'00	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Sivarathri	...	No
...	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by hereditary Pandarams	No	...	No
250	...	...	12'72	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
39	57	Kodangipalayam (P)	Kedangi-palayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	500	0.75	Sri Vinayagar	Somanur Railway station 8 miles
40				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.75	Sri Mariamman	
41				Sri Bhagavathi- amman temple (F)	500	0.50	Sri Bhagavathi- amman	
42				Sri Mahalamman temple (F)	500	0.10	Sri Mahalamman	
43	58	Puravoi (P)	Puravoi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.15	Sri Mariamman	Somanur Railway station 7 miles
44	"	do	do	Sri Neeliamman temple (F)	200	0.23	Sri Neeliamman	do
45	"	do	do	Sri Ramalinga Sowdeswari temple (S)	200	0.08	Sri Ramalinga-Sowdeswari	do
46	"	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	do
47	59	Kangayampalayam (P)	Kangayampalayam	Sri Rayar temple (O)	200	0.25	Sri Rayar	Sulur Railway station 4 miles
48	60	Kalangal (P)	Kalangal	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	Not stated	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Sulur Railway station 5 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

Not stated			Extent not stated			...	.	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	...
450			Extent not stated			...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
			Extent not stated			...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	4'00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Naicker	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	14'52	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
49	61	Kannam-palayam (P)	Kannam-palayam	Sri Kannamman temple (F)	200	0.25	Sri Kannamman	Sulur Railway station 5 miles
50				Sri Dhandapani temple (M)			Sri Dhandapani	
51	..	do	do	Sri Gopalaswamy Perumal temple (V)	100	...	Sri Gopalaswamy Perumal	do
52				Sri Mahaliamman temple (F)	70	...	Sri Mahaliamman	
53	62	Pallapalayam (P)	Odderpalayam	Sri Ramanathaswamy temple (S)			Sri Ramanathaswamy	Irugur Railway station
54				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.40	Sri Mariamman	
55				Sri Kannimar temple (F)			Sri Kannimar	
56	63	Pattanam (P)	Pattanam	Sri Pattanathamman temple (F)	150	0.75	Sri Pattanathamman	Singanailur Railway station 2½ miles
57				Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)			Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	
58	..	do	Pattanam-puthur	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.25	Sri Selva Vinayagar	Ondiputhur Railway station

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
550	...	34.60	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditar Poosari	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Ratham Peacock	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
200	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival once a year	...	No
175	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
...	...	7.47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,000	1.75	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
59	64	Peedampalli (P)	Peedampalli	Sri Nanganman temple (F)	300	0.25	Sri Nanganman	Singanallur Railway station 7 miles
60				Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Selva Vinayagar	
61	67	Karadibavi (P)	Karadibavi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Somani Railway 9 miles
62				Sri Krishnar temple (V)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Krishnar	
63	70	Vaduga-palayam (P)	Vaduga-palayam	Sri Pongaliyman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Pongaliyman	Tiruppur Railway station 10 miles
64	72	Madapur (P)	Madapur	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)		0.10	Sri Anjaneyaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 12 miles
65				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.10	Sri Mariamman	
66				Sri Kallakinar Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.04	Sri Kallakinar Mariamman	
67				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.04	Sri Vinayagar	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

200	...	27.75	...	...	...	Value Not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
50	...	...	...	9.33	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	9.24	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
Not stated	Extent not stated				...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	..	No	
Not stated	Extent not stated				...	Chapparam	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No	

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
68	75	Alagumalai (P)	Alagumalai	Sri Muthukumara-swami temple (M)			Sri Muthukumaraswami	Tiruppur Railway station 12 miles
69				Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)			Sri Kailasanathar	
70				Sri Valupooramman temple (F)	500	0.20	Sri Valupooramman	
71				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
72				Sri Alagapuriamman temple (F)			Sri Alagapuriamman	
73				Sri Tharageswara-swamy temple (S)			Sri Tharageswaraswamy	Tiruppur Railway station 15 miles
74	..	do	do	Sri Tholugeswarar temple (S)	200	0.08	Sri Tholugeswarar	
75	76	Kandiyamkoil (P)	Kandiyamkoil	Sri Kandeewara-swami temple (S)		0.50	Sri Kandeewaraswami	
76				Sri Kanagagiri Velayudhaswami temple (M)		0.30	Sri Kanagagiri Velayudhaswami	
77				Sri Madesilingar temple (S)	1,000	0.03	Sri Madesilingar	
78				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.15	Sri Mariamman	
79				Sri Muniamman temple (F)		0.15	Sri Muniamman	
80				Sri Kandiamman temple (F)		0.25	Sri Kandiamman	



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

Not stated	...	..	... 2,400'00	...	500	Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by hereditary Gurukkals	Thaipooosam Soora Samharam	...	Yes
Not stated	...	61'98	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a Gurukkals	No	...	No
Not stated	Extent not stated				...	...	Not stated	No	..	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
81	77	South Avanashi-palayam (P)	Koovor	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)	200	1.00	Sri Nageswaraswami	Tiruppur Railway station 13 miles
82	„	do	do	Sri Vinnalanda Peria Perumal temple (V)	200	0.50	Sri Peria Perumal	do
83	78	Kattur (P)	Kattur	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)			Sri Chenroya Perumal	do
84				Sri Venkatachala Perumal temple (V)			Sri Venkatachala Perumal	
85				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.02	Sri Mariamman	
86				Sri Neeliamman temple (F)			Sri Neeliamman	
87				Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)			Sri Kariakaliyamman	
88				Sri Rangaswami temple (V)			Sri Rangaswami	
89	79	Vadamalai-palayam (P)	Vadamalai-palayam	Sri Putharakkal Choleswaraswami temple (S)	1,000	1.00	Sri Choleswaraswami	Tiruppur Railway station 18 miles
90	80	V. Kallipalayam (P)	V. Kallipalayam	Sri Kambiliyamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Kambiliyamman	Tiruppur Railway station

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

Not stated	...	...	...	43.49	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Arudhra Dharisanam	112-115 of 1920	...
Not stated	...	...	...	19.40	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Vaikunta Fkadasi	272-273 of 1920	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Not stated	No	..	No
...	...	...	...	325.00	...	Value not stated	Horse	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai	...	Yes
Not	...	...	...	297.72	...	...	...	No poojas	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious.</b>								
91	84	K. Krishna-puram (P)	K. Krishna-puram	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	0.11	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Somanur Railway station 12 miles
92	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.29	Sri Vinayagar	do
93	85	Puliyampatti (P)	Puliyampatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	Mangalam Railway station 12 miles
94	87	Selakkarichal (P)	Selakkarichal	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Sulur Railway station 10 miles
95				Sri Thanthoniamman temple (F)		0.02	Sri Thanthoniamman	
96				Sri Mahaliamman temple (F)		0.02	Sri Mahaliamman	
97				Sri Paramasivan temple (S)		0.02	Sri Paramasivar	
98				Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)		0.02	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
99				Sri Perumal temple (V)		0.02	Sri Perumal	
100	89	Kallapalayam (P)	Kallapalayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.04	Sri Vinayagar	Chettipalayam Railway station
101				Sri Srinivasa Perumal temples (V)	45	0.22	Sri Srinivasa Perumal	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
1,000	...	...	...	32'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Sri Ramanavami	...	No
250	...	...	...	10'78	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram		...	No
500	...	...	...	10'08	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
							...	Not stated	No	...	No
							...	Not stated	No	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	154'00	...	...	Ratham Car	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
							...	Not stated	No	...	No
						2,000	...	Once a day by a Bhattachari	Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	400	...	Once a day by a Bhattachari	do	...	No
400	...	...	26'00	26'48	...	...	Palanquin Horse Swan	No poojas	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religions</b>								
102	90	Pachapalayam (P)	Pachapalayam (Pekukulai)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	Chettipalayam Railway station 3 miles
103				Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)			Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	
104				Sri Angalamman temple (F)	150	Not stated	Sri Angalamman	
105			Tegani	Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
106				Sri Mahali- amman temple (F)			Sri Mahali- amman	
107	92	Vadavalli (P)	Vadavalli	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Sulur Railway station 15 miles
108	93	Varapatti (P)	Varapatti	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	500	0.03	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 20 miles
109	..	do	do	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	do
110	94	Vadambacheri (P)	Vadambacheri	Sri Kandiamman temple (F)		0.15	Sri Kandiamman	Sulur Railway station 15 miles
111				Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Chenroya Perumal	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

100	...	...	...	8.91							
450				Extent not stated	...	150	Lion	Not stated	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	10.15	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300	...	...	...	15.62	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
500				Extent not stated		...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
80	...	...	...	9.70	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
150	...	...	...	22.86	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religions</b>								
112	96	Jallipatti (P)	Jallipatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.03	Sri Vinayagar	Sulur Railway station 19 miles
113				Sri Thencheriamman temple (F)		0.10	Sri Thencheriamman	
114	98	Vadavam-patti (P)	Vadavam-patti	Sri Prasanna Esbaraswamy temple (S)			Sri Prasanna Esbaraswamy	Tiruppur Railway station 24 miles
115				Sri Peria Nayagi-amman temple (S)	160	0.25	Sri Peria Nayagi-amman	
116				Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)			Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	
117	99	Komara-palayam (P)	Sanjeri	Sri Kari Kaliyamman temple (F)	100	0.06	Sri Kari Kaliyamman	Udumalpet Railway station
118	"	Komara-palayam (P)	Komara-palayam	Sri Hanumantharayaswami temple (O)	200	0.24	Sri Hanumantharayaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 20 miles
119	103	Thalakkarai	Thalakkarai	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.03	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 25 miles
120	"	do	do	Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)	200	Not stated	Sri Kariakaliyamman	do
121	105	do	Salaiputhur	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	100	0.01	Sri Subramaniaswami	Udumalpet Railway station 20 miles
122	"	do	J. Krishna-puram	Sri Kalyana Venkataramanaswamy temple (V)	300	0.40	Sri Kalyanavenkataramanaswamy	Udumalpet Railway station 17 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

200				Extent not stated		...	...	Not stated	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	41.33	...	Value not stated	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	7.84							
Not stated				Extent not stated		...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
2,000	...	...	...	111.99	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
...	...	18.38	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
...	...	17.11	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
2,000	...	...	...	20.00	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	Not stated	...	2,000	Elephant Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

## AVANASHI TALUK

### ALATHTHUR PANCHAYAT

#### Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple at Mondipalayam

Mondipalayam alias Oonjalvanam is a small hamlet connected by bus with Coimbatore on the south west and Palladam on the south east. One who proceeds from Coimbatore city should take the cart track in the north west direction at Avanashi and drive about ten miles to reach this small hamlet with a fairly big shrine for Vaishnavites. This temple is best known locally for மல்லிகை (Sri Mallikai) which is believed to cure all diseases. The temple is about 250 years old. Latest renovation was done in 1933. The temple is very neat with a tank on the western side. Mill owners from Coimbatore city patronise the temple. The chief annual festival is celebrated in the month of தை (Thai) January-February. All the five Saturdays in the month of புரட்டாசி (Purattasi) are also equally important.

Devotees take a bath in the tank on the western side of the temple. (துளசி) Thulasi leaves, (வேப்பம் கொழுத்து) tender leaves of margosa or neem tree, (எரிக்கலம் பூ மொட்டு) unblossomed flower of Erik-kolam, (அறளிப் பூ) Aarli flower, (எலுமிச்சம் பழச்சாறு) juice of lime and (காஞ்சேக்கரி) carbon after burning incense are ground together, offered to the presiding deity by performing poojas and applied externally to cure the disease.

Even though this is a vaishnavite temple, the image of the presiding deity is in the form of a Lingam and is claimed to be a swayambu. Abishegam or holy bath and pooja are performed to a Saligram (a sacred stone) believed to have been brought here by Dhurvasa Rishi from Tirupathi. There are images for Alamelu Mangai, twelve Alwars, Venugopalan, Anjaneyar, Vinayagar, Andal, Mahalakshmi etc. The temple occupies an area of 250' X 250', with three prakarams, kalyanamandapam and Ranga mandapam. Poojas are performed thrice a day by a Battachariar. The temple has a shop, 100 acres of wet and another 100 acres of

dry land. There are nine vahanams and a car. The temple is managed by an Executive Officer and a board of five trustees.

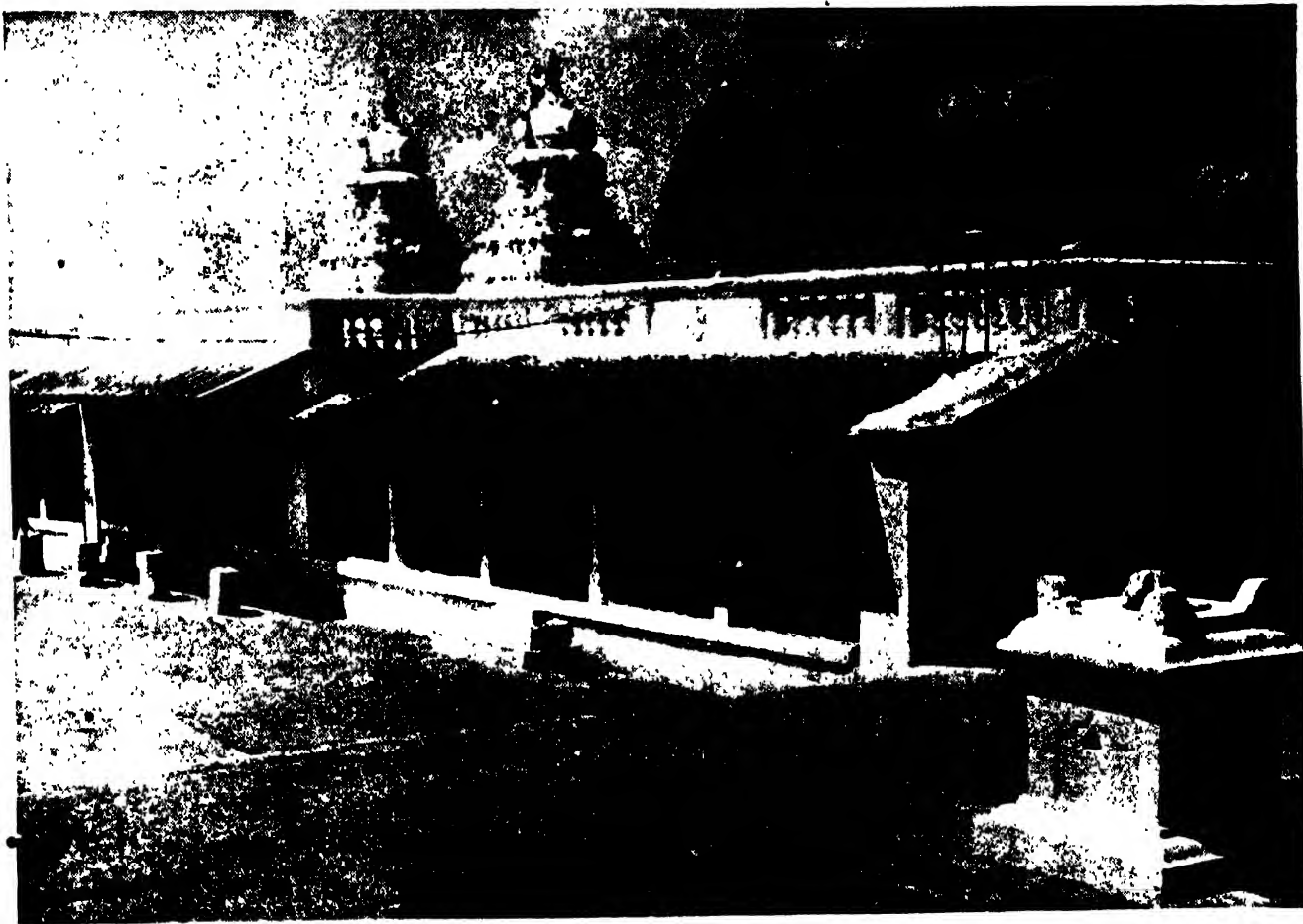
### 36. KARAMADAI

#### Sri Ranganadhaswamy temple and Sri Nanjundeswarar temple

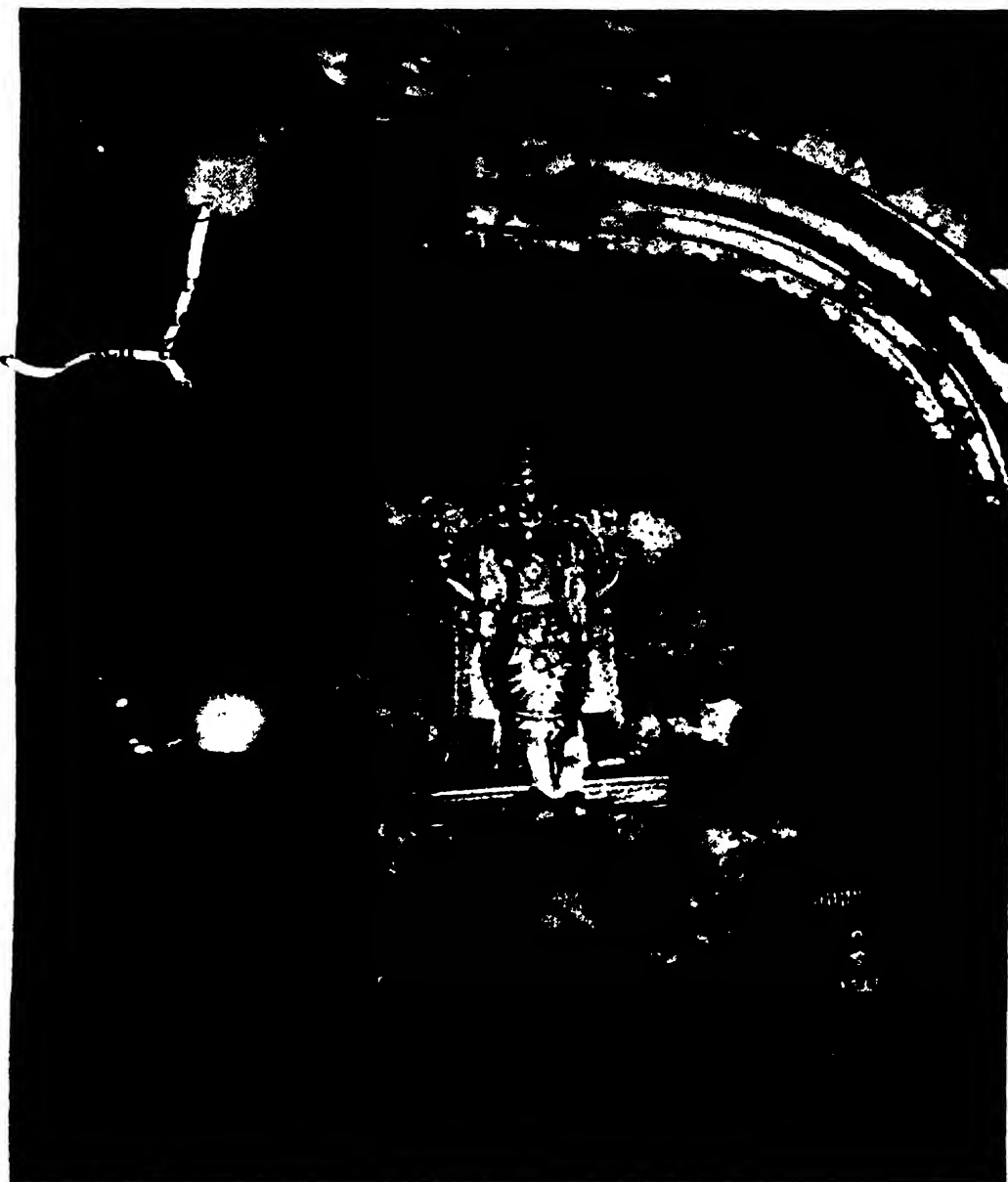
Among the very few Vishnu shrines of Coimbatore district, Karamadai Sri Ranganadhaswamy temple is the most famous and well known temple. It is located at a distance of about 25 miles from Avanashi, the taluk headquarters and 18 miles from Coimbatore, the district headquarters. It is well connected by bus and train and lies at the 18th mile on the Coimbatore-Mettupalayam road. The temple is at a distance of about half a mile from the railway station. It occupies an area of about one acre. There are several choultries and rest houses for the pilgrims.

The name Karamadai is attributed to the fact that the place was once surrounded by karai bushes and shrubs. This is also called as "Karai Vanam". Sri Ranganadha Perumal, the presiding deity of the temple was found among the karai bushes. According to the local legend, years ago, one of the cows of a cowherd used to go out for grazing in the mornings and returned in the evenings without any milk. The cowherd watched it and followed the cow one day and was astonished when he found that on going to a bushy part it gave on its own accord all its milk at that spot. Seeing, this, he pulled down the bush with an axe, wherefrom blood spurted out. At once he fell swooned. When he became conscious, he found to his surprise the image of Lord Vishnu with the injury caused by his axe.

The temple faces east and has no pagoda or gopuram in the front. However, there is a 40 feet pagoda at the north called "Sorgavasal gopuram".



**A view of gopuram in Venkatesa Perumal temple, Mendipalayam.**



**Uthsavar of Sri Venkatesa Perumal.**



A stone sculpture in the Ranganathaswami and Nanjundeswar temple.



Another sculpture in the same temple.



Another sculpture on one of the pillars in Ranganathaswami temple.





This was built in 1944 by Sri Thiruvengadam Chettiar of Ootacamund. There is only a single prakaram inside the temple. The image of Sri Ranganadhaswamy the presiding deity is in the form of a Lingam and is represented by a 1½ feet high swayambu vigraham. His consort is Sri Ranga Nayagi, for whom there is a separate sanctum sanctorum on the southern prakaram facing east. On the northern side, there is another separate sanctum for Sri Andal. In the Arthamandapam of the presiding deity, Sri Azhagu Madhava Perumal is represented in a standing posture, facing south. It is said that He was brought from (பெள்ளாரி) (Pellari) which is at a distance of about two miles from here. Besides the sanctums for Sri Ranga Nayagi and Sri Andal, images of Sri Hanumar, Sri Sandhana Krishnan, Sri Parvasu Devar and Alvars are also found in the prakaram. Brahma Theertham, in the form of a well and "Karai Chedi", the sthala viruksham of this shrine are located in the western prakaram of the temple. Thirukalyana mandapam and Sri Udayavar Sannadhi are also found in the prakaram.

The temple contains some interesting and impressive stone works, for instance, the images of Sri Gopalakrishnan and Sri Kothanda Ramar carved exquisitely on the southern and northern walls of the sanctum sanctorum of Sri Perumal are good pieces of architecture. All the ten avatharas of Sri Mahavishnu, (Dhāsavatharam, as they are called) are beautifully carved on the pillars of the mandapam in front of the sanctum sanctorum. There is also a beautiful image of Sri Vinayagar in one of the pillars.

Sthalapuranam for the temple was composed in 1942 by Sri S. D. Aranganathachary in four chapters in prose. In this publication, the celestial marriage of Sri Mahalakshmi and the glory of Sri Ranganadha, who was worshipped by Sri Brahma, Indira and Garuda and blessed by Him, have been dealt with in detail. From the sthalapuranam of the temple, it is learnt that the temple fortress and other mandapams were built by Sri Thirumalai Naik of Madura, who was cured of his chronic catbuncle, when he visited and offered worship at this temple.

Poojas are performed thrice a day by a hereditary Brahmin gurukkal, according to the principle of Pancharathras. He is paid a monthly salary of Rs. 5/-, apart from a daily padithanam of half a measure of

rice. Besides, he enjoys a portion of the income derived from the sale of archana tickets by the temple and also the offerings of the devotees. The temple owns antique jewellery in gold and silver, worth about Rs. 75,000/- donated by devotees of which the costly "Navarathinamalai" studded with precious stones and diamonds deserve special mention.

The immovable properties of the temple comprise 11.35 acres of wet lands in the villages of Pettakkarai and Sengalakkarakai of Gopichettipalayam taluk, one garden and four shops in the Karamadai town, which fetch an annual income of Rs. 10,375/-, by way of rent. These are spent towards the daily poojas, periodical festivals of the temple and for the payment of salaries to the temple servants. The temple also earns an additional income of Rs. 10,000/- by way of hundi collections and Rs. 500/- by the sale of archana and abishega tickets from the devotees every year as per the schedule furnished below :—

	Rs. P.
Sahasranama archana	1.50
Thirumanjanam	3.50
Kalyanam (Marriage)	2.50

The temple owns a 2½ feet high Palanquin, one Car of 50 feet height and a chapparam 2½ feet in height. There are also vahanams such as Horse, Annam, Sesha, Simham, Hanumar, Rishabam and a silver plated Garuda. All are made of wood, some 50 years back.

More devotees visit on Saturdays and on New Moon days. Car festival in Masi, Vaikunta Ekadasi and Athayayana uthsavam (Pagalpathu Raapathu uthsavam) in Margazhi, Navarathri in Purattasi and the Karthigai Deepam are the festivals celebrated by the temple. "Kavala Sevai", "Bandha Sevai", "Thannir Sevai" and the happy celestial "Thirukalyanam" festival of Sri Ranganadha Perumal in the presence of the Thayar of Pattathamman Hill are the important celebrations in the car festival. This attracts large congregation of devotees from far and near. Normally, people belonging to Dasar community come in procession with conch shell and chiming disc. Devotees mix peeled off plantain, brown sugar and fried bengal gram and feed in their mouth, which they spit out. Then the devotees collect and eat it. Even though health authorities prohibit this practice, they could not prevent this which is known as Kavala Sevai. It is believed that those devotees who perform Kavala

Sevai are blessed with a progeny and secure happiness, free from all diseases.

For the purpose of administration, this temple forms the main temple with four more sub-temples, namely Sri Pattathamman temple, Sri Sangameswarar temple, Sri Venugopalaswamy temple and Sri Nanjundeswarar temple. Sri Pattathamman temple is located on the top of a nearby hillock, while Sri Sangameswarar temple is situated on the border of the Pellari village, which is at a distance of about two miles from Karamadai. There is a very ancient stone inscription here. In Sri Venugopalaswamy temple of Karamadai, there are several images of "Yali" and a fish, which is the emblem of the Pandya Kings.

Sri Nanjundeswarar temple, located to the south of Sri Ranganadhaswamy temple, is worth seeing for the exquisite stone carvings. The presiding deity of this temple is Sri Nanjundeswarar whose image is an installed Lingam facing east. His consort is known as Sri Ulaga Nayagi and Ulagambigai. The Moolavar Lingam and the peetam (Platform) below the 'Avudaiyar', on which it is installed are made out of a single block of granite. It is said that this stone which measures 7½' by 6½' covers the entire area of the main sanctum sanctorum. There is an underground path below the Artha Mandapam of the temple. The image of Goddess Gangai is found in a full form on the head of Sri Chandra Sekharar, the uthsava vigraham. This is a noteworthy feature because Her face is represented only upto the neck in the festival idols of other temples.

Amman Sannadhi is found to the north of Swamy Sannadhi. The images of Lord Siva and Goddess Parvathi, Veduvan and Vedavachy, found on the northern prakaram of the temple are made out of a single block of stone and very beautiful to look at. Just like in Madura, here also, the sanctum sanctorum of Sri Nanjundeswarar has been designed with அஷ்ட ஶ்குலம் (Ashtagajam) while its vimanam is left unfinished. The images of the six feet high elephants on the outer walls of the sanctum offer a beautiful sight to look at. Images of Sri Balasubramanyam, Idabarudar, Kali, Brahma, Thirumal and Thirumagal were carved on the trunks of the elephants. Figures of crab, elephant, fish, frog and tortoise are also carved in the trunk of one of the elephants. Images of Sri Agora Veerabadrar, Nirdhana Ganapathy, Idabaruda Uma

Mahesar, Dhandapany and Mahishasuramardhany are found on the outer walls of the sanctum sanctorum. Apart from these, images of bandicoot, swan, yali, Magara fish, elephant, tortoise, parrot, peacock, monkey, dog, pig, tiger, Hanumar, Nandhi and Rishabha Kunjaram are found all along on the walls of the praharam. The image of Sri Vinayagar in a sitting posture, with one leg folded and the other let down and holding a pole both with his hand and trunk, presents a catching appearance. Other sculptures with exquisite craftsmanship include two springing deers, a lovepair of parrots, the birth of "Macha Vallabha" from a fish, a goat in a worshipping posture, a warrior fighting amidst two lions, the Goddess Kali in her ferocious "Thandavam pose", Lord Krishna dancing over the "five hooded serpent king" "Kaliyangan", Natarajar and Murugar.

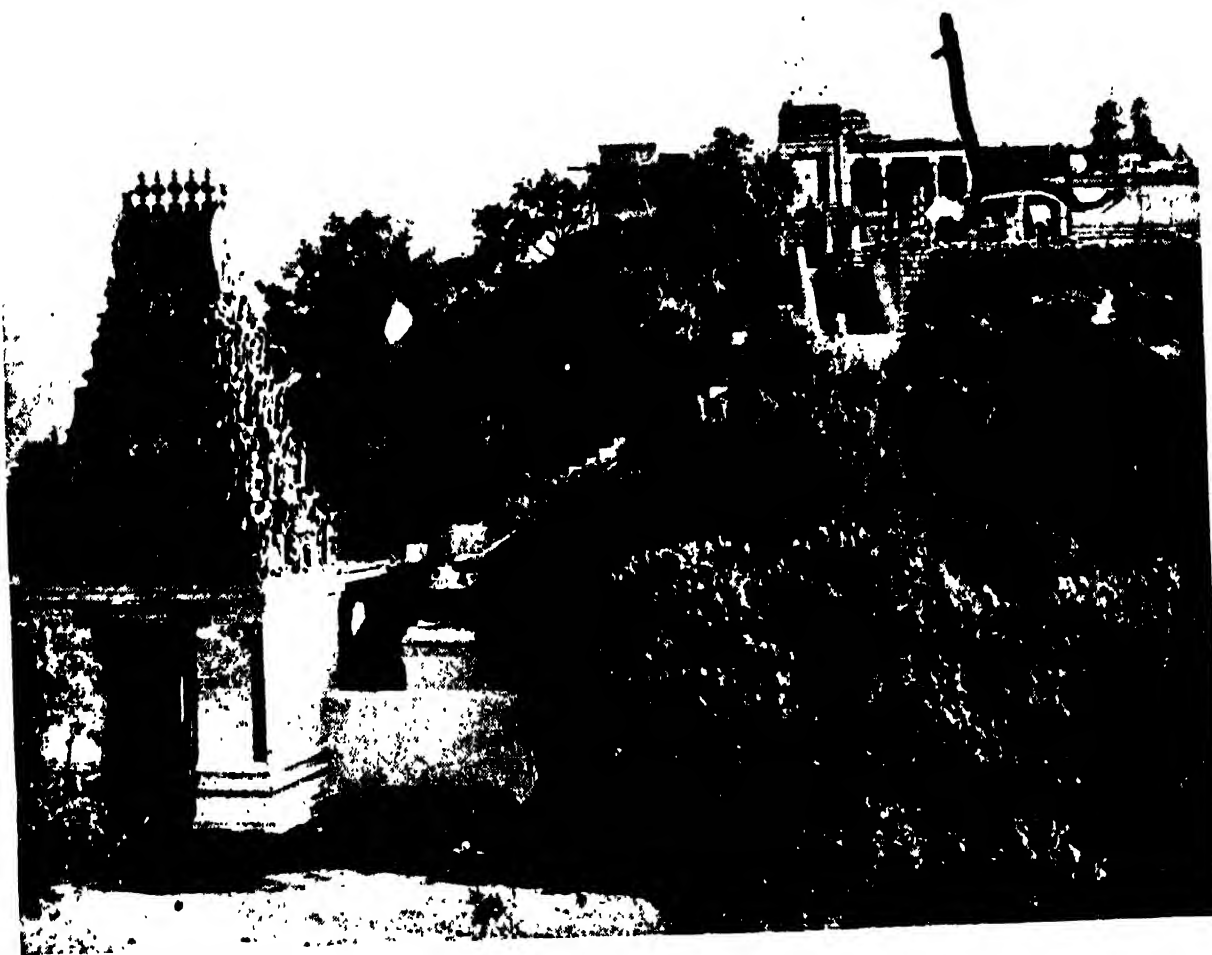
Sri Ranganadhaswamy temple with its sub-temples are managed by a Board of three trustees, through an Executive Officer, appointed by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board.

## 42. MARUDHUR

### Sri Kuzhandhai Velayudhaswami temple at Kurundha Malai

Kurundha malai is a hillock at the foot of Blue mountains or Nilgiris. It is at a distance of about 3 miles west of Karamadai Railway station on the Coimbatore—Mettupalayam section. But for a few furlongs of cart track, it is well connected by road and rail. From the top of this hillock, one can have a panoramic view of the mountain ranges of Nilgiris which serves as an attractive back drop for this hill temple dedicated to Lord Muruga. There is another small temple for Anjaneyar on an adjacent hillock.

The temple is claimed to be 500 years old. The temple is said to have been built by Thirumalai Naicker of Madurai. One Gangadharan is said to have built the gopuram at the entrance as was expected of him in a dream. After his death, his body was buried on the top of this hillock. The temple has been constructed with stones and faces west. It occupies an area of about 6 cents. There is a big image for Sri Vinayagar at the entrance at the foot of the hillock. Renovation has been undertaken in 1941 amounting to one and a half lakhs of rupees. Daily poojas are performed by a Brahmin whose office is hereditary. The temple has jewels worth Rs. 2,000/- and landed property of



A panoramic view of the Kuzhandhai Velayudhaswami temple.



Idol of Kuzhandhai Velayudhaswami

about 70 acres. The temple has one car and three vahanams, all made of wood. The chief annual festival is held for 11 days in the month of தை (Thai) (January-February). Irulars, a hill tribe, visit in large numbers and take about 50 kavadis every year with honey and (கிரைப் பெற்றி) fried seed of greens. The temple is managed by a board of three trustees.

#### 54. ANNIYUR (alias) ANNUR

##### Sri Manneswarar temple

Anniyur is twenty one (21) miles north of Coimbatore to Sathiamangalam and 13 miles away from two

railway stations—Mettupalayam and Somanur. A weekly shandy takes place every Saturday. This place is entirely different from the one about which saints Thirugnanasambandar and Thirunavukkarasar have sung and is situated in Chola Nad. However the stone inscriptions here testify to the ancient nature of the place. This place is named after a hunter Anni, who, while digging out the land, got vision (dharshan) of Siva, the Lord, first in the form of Tapioca and next in the form of Lingam. According to sthalapuram the place and the image of the presiding diety are known in different eras as follows :—

Era	Name of place	Image	Devotees blessed
கலியுகம் (i.e.) the present iron age, being the last of the four yugas or great ages of the world. Its commencement is placed about 300 years anterior to the Christian era consisting of 432,000 years.	அன்னியூர் Anniyur	மன்னிலிங்கம் Mannilingam	Anni the hunter, his wife and the Chera King.
துவாபரயுகம் (i.e.) the third yuga or age of the world consisting of 864,000 years.	வள்ளியூர் Valliyur	வள்ளிலிங்கம் Vallilingam	Sage Markendeyar.
நிரேதாயுகம் the second or silver age or yuga of the Hindus consisting of 1,296,000 years.	வானியூர் Vaniyur	வானிலிங்கம் Vanilingam	Sage Vyasara
கிரேதாயுகம் (i.e.) the first of the four yugas of the world.	வன்னியூர் Vanniyur	வின்னிலிங்கம் Vannilingam	Lord Brahma

The temple covers an area of nearly one acre. Unlike in other temples, the moolavar or the presiding deity is in the form of a Lingam with wings. It is a Swayambu (சுயம்பு) Lingam found by a Chera King. He renovated the temple while he was ruling from Chembiam, assisted by Kasthuri Rangappan, Sadaiyappan and Kachchiyur Samayan. Karuppana Gounder of Kumarapalayam renovated the temple again in 1930s. He also brought out the Sthalapuram entitled “அன்னியூர்த் தலபுராணம்” of the temple in 1937. (தபோதக செனந்தரி) Dhabodhaga Soundari is the Lord's consort. There is also a sub-temple for Sri Varadaraja Perumal with his consorts Sri Devi and Bhoo Devi (பூதேவி, பூதேவி). The other deities are Subramaniam, Vinayagar, Dhakshinamoorthi, Surian, Sandeeswarar, Navagrahams and Anjaneyar. The temple owns ornaments worth about Rs. 1,000 and a building which yields an annual income of nearly Rs. 1,000.

#### 66. AVANASHI

##### Sri Avanashi Lingeswarar temple

• Avanashi is the taluk headquarters and contains a number of rice mills and cotton ginning factories. It is

about 25 miles north east of Coimbatore on the National Highway towards Madras and about 5 miles north west of Tiruppur, the nearest railway station. In the month of சித்திரை (Chithirai—April—May) large number of people congregate at this town to attend the cattle fair and the car festival. It is said that this temple car attached to Avanashi Lingeswarar temple is the biggest of all in Coimbatore district. The temple itself is famous being one of the three temples declared as protected monuments of the district and one of the seven Siva temples of Kongu Nad which is praised in the hymns of Thevaram. Appar alias Thirunavukkarasu has referred to Avanashi in one of his verses and Manickavasagar also in one. Sundaramurthi Nayanar has visited this temple and has composed a hymn of ten songs. He has also played the miracle of bringing back to life a boy devoured by a crocodile five years earlier. It is strange that the temple is locally better known as கருணைபத்தர் (Karunai Aaththal) temple than as Avanashi Lingeswarar temple by which name it was referred to in songs and literature. Probably this is an indication to show the traces of its aboriginal nature. It is significant that the sanctum sanctorum of the Goddess

is on the right side of Her consort, which is unusual. As the temple is associated with the name of Sundaramurthi Nayanar, it must have been in existence even before 7th century. There are evidences to show that it was patronised by various rulers like Cholas, Pandyas, Hoysalas and Mysore Kings each one of whom either renovated or made fresh additions to the original structure. At present the temple occupies a space of nearly one and a half acres. It has jewellery to the value of Rs. 17,890/- as on 5-9-61 and landed property of 6.02 acres of wet and 2.45 acres of dry lands, two houses, six shops and a vacant plot. In fasli 1375, it had an annual income of Rs. 11,777/- the primary source being sale of tickets to devotees for archana and abishegam followed by rent from properties. Five poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin. Besides the annual festival in April-May, முதலைவாய் பிள்ளை உற்சவம் (Muthalai Vai Pillai Uthsavam) is another important festival in பங்குனி (Panguni: March-April) celebrated in commemoration of bringing back to life the boy devoured by the crocodile. The temple is managed by the joint efforts of a board of five trustees, an Executive Officer appointed by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board and Archaeological department.

The temple is facing east with its pagoda in an incomplete and unfinished stage with only a basement. Unusually there is no street around the temple which will be a normal feature of such reputed Siva temples. There are two prakarams inside the temple. There is an image for Selva Vinayagar on the right side of the front mandapam and on both sides of the entrance, there are two Nirdhana Ganapathis, while two dwarapalaghas facing east are inside the temple. On the sides of a foot step, images of Manickavasagar and Sundarar are installed facing west in the posture of worshipping the presiding deity. There are also images for Thirumal on the right side and Chandrar on the left. Immediately on entering the temple and just in front of the sanctum sanctorum of the presiding deity, Maha Nandhi offers a gigantic appearance. There is a stone carving of a scorpion on the wall of the sanctum sanctorum of Ambal, which is also worshipped by devotees. Besides the sanctum for Ambal within the main temple, there is also a separate shrine for Her on the northern side of the main temple. In the inner prakaram, there is an image for Kala Bairavar, on the eastern side of and very near the presiding deity. It faces south. Devotees make a special form

of worship to Kala Bairavar by offering Vadai malai (garland made of Vadai—a South Indian dish of snacks). The image of presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam whereas that of Kala Bairavar has a standing posture by the side of a Suvana Vahanam with four hands, broad and fascinating eyes and a smiling face. Local legends in Sthalapuram attribute to the presiding deity the great quality of pardoning even the greatest sinner if at one stage or other he sincerely repents for his sin. It is said that in such cases, the departed soul from such sinners are led to the Almighty by Kala Bairavar instead of torture and harassment by Yama.

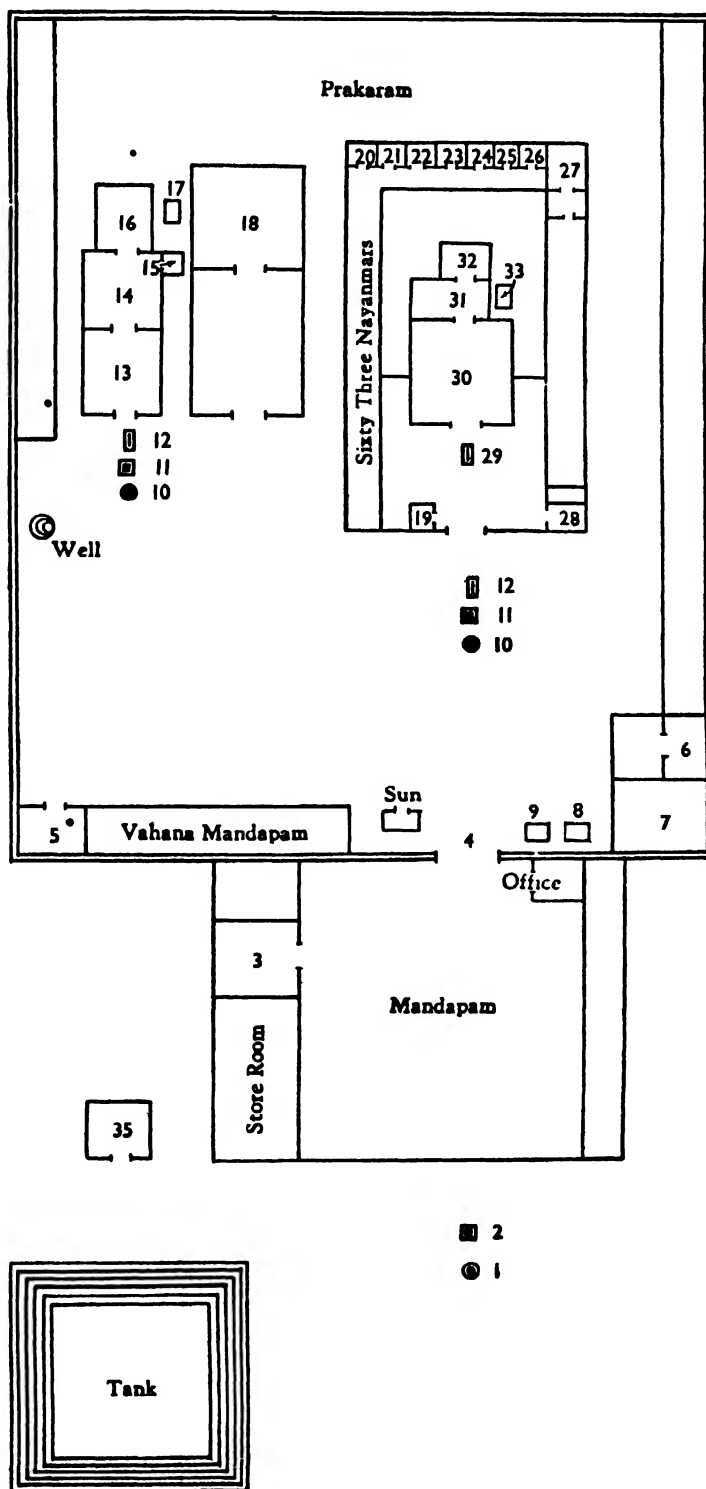
There are stone carvings on the pillars and wall of the temple. Such carvings include images of Urdhwa Thandavamurthy, Kali and Veerabadrar. There are also figures said to represent one Peria Kaliappa Gounder and his son Chinna Kaliappa Gounder. It is said that the father donated liberally for building mandapam by way of his gratitude and offering to the Lord for curing a big boil on the thigh of his son. The son's figure was carved with a shallow scar. There are also the oft repeated stone carvings of Kuravan, Kurathy, Nagakannigai, a Naicker who constructed a mandapam, his wife, Lord Muruga and Vedan. Carvings of Mudhalai Vai Pillai (a boy in the mouth of a crocodile) and Lingam in the mouth of a fish are perhaps peculiar to this temple to symbolise the local legends.

Thirty-two inscriptions were copied from this temple by the Government Epigraphist in the year 1909, the numbers of copying being 170 to 201. These inscriptions relate to the period of Veera Rajendra Cholan, Kulothunga Cholan, Veera Pandian, Sundara Pandian, Konerimai Kondan and the leaders of Ummathur viz., Veera Nanjaraya Udayar, Veera Sikkaraya Udayar and Achudevamaharoyar of Vijayanagar. They refer to endowments provided for daily poojas, periodical festivals, oils for lighting and illumination and the distribution of food to the poor. We also learn from these stone inscriptions about the construction of a temple for Saint Sundarar in the tank-bund by Sundara Pandian and the existence of this shrine at Thenpalli. They also refer to the gift made by Nachinarkkiniyar alias Kandiyathevar towards the "Mangala Snanam" (oil bath) celebrations of the Swamy and Ambal. In the stone inscriptions and old literature, Avanashi has also been referred to by various names like Tiruppukkozhayur, Bhoologa Kaifasam, Dhakshina Varanasi etc. The presiding deity has been referred to as Avinashiandar, Avinashiappar, Avinashinadhar and Avinashi Aludaya Nayanar, while

# SRI AVANASHI LINGESWARAR TEMPLE

AVANASHI

(Not to Scale)



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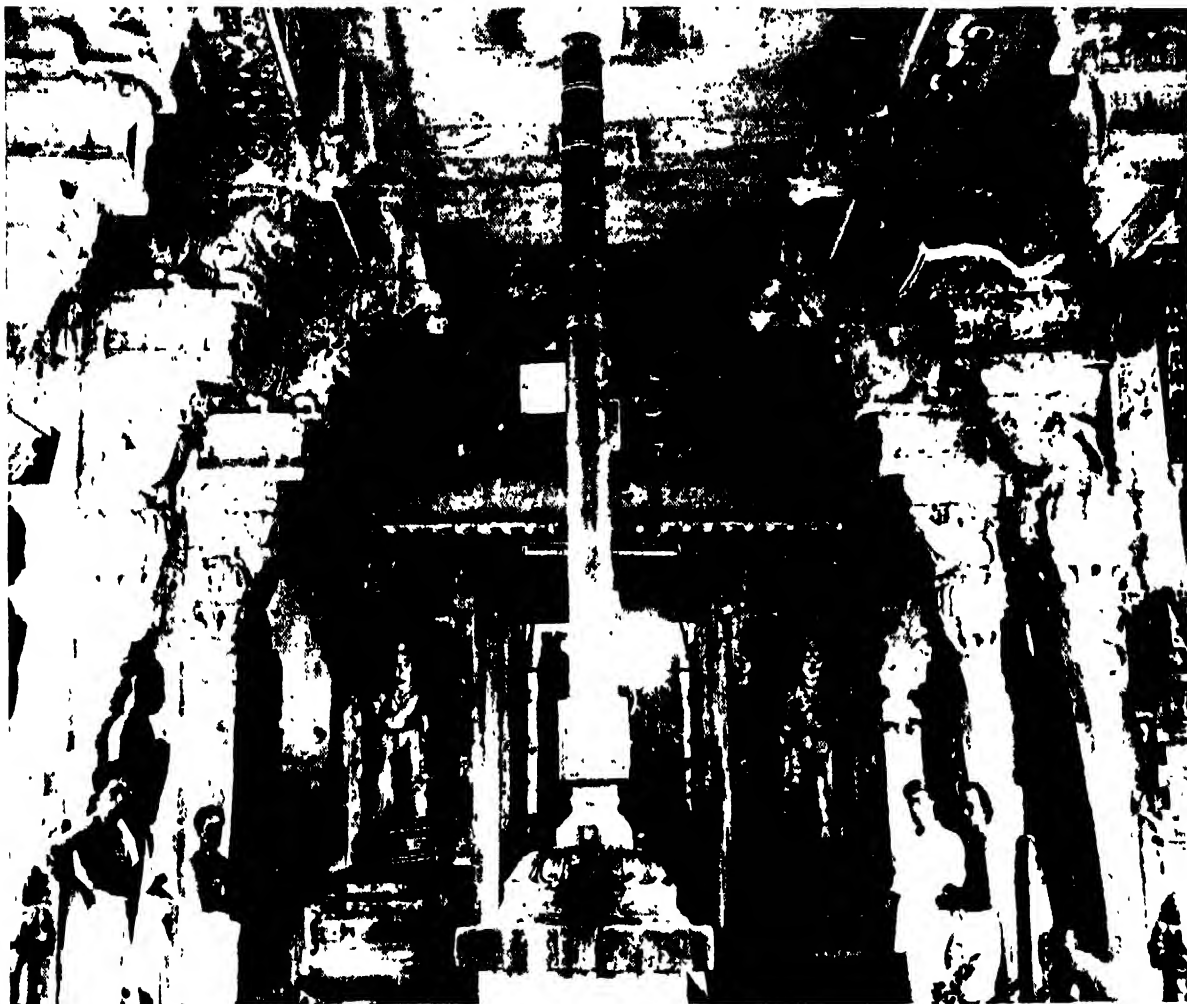




Gopuram of Avinashi Lingeshwarar temple.



Sthalapuranam carved on Dwajasthambam — Avinashi



Front mantapam with Dwajastambam — Avinashi temple.



His consort has been referred to as Thirukamakottathu Nachchiar, Perumkarunai Selviyar and Karunalaya Selvi. Avinashi. (அவிநாசி = விநாச மில்லாத or அழிவில்லாத)\* means eternal or endless. Pukkozhi (புக்கொழி = புக்கு + ஓழி) means to take shelter in a safe place; Dhakshina Varanasi (தட்சணவாரணாசி) means South Banaras. These names convey the importance and fame believed to exist here.

Besides references in Thevaram hymns composed by each of the three Nayanmars a verse in Thirumoolar's Thirumandhiram and another in Padhinoram Thirumurai refer to this sthalam. Four verses in the Vellana Sarukkam of Sekkizhar and one verse in the Naminandhiadigal's puranam exclusively refer to this shrine. Saint Arunagirinathar has praised this sthalam devotionally in six verses of his famous 'Thiruppugazh'. There is also one verse in the Thiruvilayadal puranam of Paranjothi Munivar. A detailed account about these and other literature can be found in the local sthalapuranam published in the year 1937. Twelve legends covering nearly 50 pages are given in this sthalapuranam out of which the following two are well known.

On his way from Chola to Chera country to visit the ruler and his friend Cheraman Perumal, Sundaramoorthi Nayanar, passed through the Brahmin agraharam in Avinashi. In that street, he heard mourning from one house and music played in a house just opposite to it. On enquiry, he found that five years back two boys, one from each of the houses, went to take bath from a river. One was devoured by a crocodile which was being commemorated by the mourning while in the other house Upanayanam, or wearing of sacred thread was being celebrated for the boy who returned safe. Sundarar was moved so much that he went to the spot of accident with the dead boy's parents and others, addressed a poem to God the Almighty and got the boy alive. As soon as the song was recited, every one was surprised to see the boy coming from the live crocodile with sufficient growth that he would have got during the five years interval between the dates of accident and that of recovery. To the great enjoyment and happiness of the parents, Saint Sundarar himself performed the Upanayanam marriage of the boy. The tank which is now known as Thamarai-kulam and is a little south of the temple is said to be the place where this miracle took place. On the tank bund, there is a temple for Sundarar. There is also a

statue showing the ejection of the boy from the mouth of the crocodile. When a festival is celebrated on the Panguni Uthiram day commemorating this miracle, Avinashiappar is taken on procession to this temple.

A similar legend narrates the recovery of Lingam from a fish. According to this Gurunadha Pandaram was a staunch devotee of Avinashi Lingeswarar and every day, he was doing Sivapooja regularly. One day, the tank bund referred to in the previous legend was at the breaking point due to heavy rains and torrential floods. Officers who came to dam the floods with numerous workers arrogantly ordered the pandaram, who was performing his sivapooja at that time on the tankbund, to move away. But Gurunadha Pandaram was deeply absorbed in his sivapooja and did not hear their orders. The officers ridiculed him as a false saint and threw the Lingam he was worshipping into the tank and forcibly engaged him as one of the labourers for damming the flood. After completing his work the pandaram went to the spot where he used to worship and where the Lingam was thrown, squatted down, took a vow not to leave until he got back his beloved and sacred Lingam. He performed a severe penance for days and nights together. Pleased at his severe penance, Lord Siva instigated a divine fish to spit out the Lingam from its mouth in front of the devotee. The pandaram felt extremely happy at the restoration of his Lingam. This act of spitting the Lingam by a fish has been depicted in a stone carving on the side of a lamp pillar in front of the main Avinashiappar temple.

Besides the above two legends, others narrate the circumstances which led to Lord Brahma's worshipping the presiding deity for 100 years, Devendra's divine elephant Ayiravadham for 12 years, Thadaḥḍi for 3 years, Naga Kannigai for 21 months, King Dharmasena for 1 year, Vyadha Vedan for 30 days, Sanga Kannan for 5 days, Deiva Rambha for 1 day, a crow for one jamam and Enjakuthan for one muhurtham and their ultimate success of receiving the Almighty's blessings.

Avinashi is also said to be sacred for its Theertham (தீர்த்தம்) or sacred water. They are said to be four in number viz., "Kasi Gangai" in the shape of a "Koovam", Thiru Kulam Tank, Thirunallar river, and Nagakannigai well. Kasi Gangai is located within the temple to the east of the sanctum sanctorum of Sri

Avinashi Lingeswarar in the form of a square well. The Thirukula Theertham is located a few yards east of Perunkarunalaya Selviyar Sannadhi outside Avinashiappar temple. A big Nandhi situated at the entrance of the foot steps leading to the tank beautifies it. It is at this Theertham that the fish is said to have ejected the sacred Lingam from its mouth.

The river Nallaru otherwise known as "Sadhari" in Sanskrit, is now flowing as a small stream on the northern side of the temple. It was also referred to by Saint Sundarar in his famous "Thevaram". The same river is known as "Ayiravatha Theertham", when it flows near the temple. Naganigai Theertham is also outside Avinashiappar temple and adjacent to the southern wall of the Upanayana Mandapam. It is on the southern bank of the river Nallaru in the form of a well.

## 75. THIRUMURUGAN POONDI

### Sri Thirumuruganathaswami temple

Thiru Murugan Poondi is situated on the third mile from Avinashi in the Avinashi-Tiruppur road and on the fifth mile north of Tiruppur railway station. This temple is one of the three protected monuments of Coimbatore District under the Department of Archaeology. This is also one of the four *பாடல் பெற்ற ஸ்தலம்* (places sung about) of the district. There is a belief that, after killing Suran, the asura, Lord Muruga installed a Lingam at this place and worshipped to get rid of the after-effects of such killing. The place is therefore named as Thirumuruganpoondi. This is brought out in a statue at the entrance to the temple. This place is also known as "Madhvay Vanam", after the name of its sthalaviruksham "Madhavy" bearing "Kurukkathi" flowers and as "Mullai Vanam".

According to a legend, on his way to Tiruvarur, Saint Sundarar happened to pass through this place with some property, presented to him by Sri Seraman Perumal. In order to test his devotion, Lord Siva sent his Bhoothaganas in the guise of hunters to steal the property from him. Having lost all his property to the hunters sent by Lord Siva, Saint Sundarar came to this shrine and sang a thevaram requesting the Lord for the restoration of his property. At this, the Lord was immensely pleased and returned to him all his

properties. Sekkizhar in his famous Peria Puranam extols this incident. In one of the *திருப்புகழ்* (Thirup-pugazh) Sri Arunagirinathar has also praised this shrine.

The temple is now famous for sacred *dīp* in three of the sacred tanks or Theerthams which are known as Shanmuga Theertham, Brahma Theertham and Gnana Theertham. Shanmuga Theertham is inside the temple while the Brahma Theertham is located outside the temple, in the shape of a deep well with several foot-steps. It is believed that those who take a sacred bath in this Theertham for a period of 12 or 24 or 48 days continuously and offer prarthanas, are supposed to get their worst sins such as "Brahmahatti", incurable bodily diseases like leprosy, fits, mental affection by ghosts and lunacy wiped off and secure happiness. Provision has been made for such devotees for their stay. Even today, a large number of such devotees are visiting and bathing in this Theertham. Gnana Theertham is situated outside the temple in the form of a very big well.

The image of the presiding deity is in the form of a 2½ feet Lingam and is known as Sri Muruganathar, as Lord Muruga Himself worshipped this Lingam. His consort is known as Sri Avudai Nayagi and Muyangu Poon Mulaiaimai. Her image is 3½ feet in height. Sri Shanmuganadhar is represented by a 5 feet high vigraha with six faces, while His consorts Sri Valli and Deivayanai are 2½ feet in height.

The temple covers an area of about one acre with a single prakaram. It is sloping as we enter into the interior. There is no pagoda at the entrance of the temple. There are the three vimanam with a height of 35', 15' and 10½ feet respectively above the sanctum sanctorum of the presiding deity, His consort and Subramaniam. The presiding deity is facing west. It is said that the rays of Sun fall on the Lingam during the Utharayana and Dhakshinayana Punyakalams. The sannadhi of Lord Muruga is on the right side of the sanctum sanctorum of Lord Siva while that of Ambal is on the left side. Lord Siva offers dharshan to devotees as a glamorous hunter in the "Kudaivarai". Just opposite to this, there are two images of Sri Sundarar, one in a sorrowful mood on his having lost his property by theft and the other in a joyful mood on his getting back the same.

Nine stone inscriptions were copied from this temple in the year 1893 and many more in 1915. These inscriptions indicate gifts of articles during the period of Cholas and Kongu Cholas like Konerimmaikondan,



Thirumuruganathaswami temple.



Nandi Theertham in the temple.



Veera Rajendra Deva, Kulothunga Chola Deva, Vikrama Chola Deva and Veera Nanjaraya Udayar. They refer the details of endowments, in the shape of paddy and lands, for the regular performance of the daily poojas of the temple.

Poojas are performed four times a day, by hereditary sivacharya Brahmin gurukkals, according to Karana and Kamika Agamas. They should have been duly initiated with Sivadhikshai and Acharyabishegam before qualifying themselves to do the poojas. They eke out their livelihood mainly by receiving the offerings of the devotees for archanas, abishegas etc. The landed properties of the temple comprise 1.65 acres of wet and 15.71 acres of dry lands, in the villages of Puliampatti and Rakkiya Palayam respectively, fetching an annual income of Rs. 1,125 from the wet lands and Rs. 1,325 from the dry lands. The income from the wet lands is utilised for the daily pooja of the temple while that of the dry lands are spent for the periodical festivals and towards the salaries of the temple servants. The other sources of income of the temple are the hundi collections, amounting to (Rs. 750) and the charges levied for performing archanas, abishegas etc., (Rs. 2,000).

The temple owns a car, six Rathams, two Rishaba vahanas, a Kamadhenu and two peacocks. The three Rathams for Lord Muruga, Swamy and Ambal are 16' x 13' and 10½' in height and 48', 38' and 31' in circumference respectively. They are all twenty years old, having been donated by devotees.

Vinayaga Chathurthi, Skandasashti, Navarathri, Karthigai Deepam, Dhanur Pooja, Arudhra Dharisanam and Brahmothsavam are the major festivals celebrated here apart from the monthly Krithigai of which the

Skandasashti, Arudhra Dharisanam and the Rathothsavam during Brahmothsavam are the most important ones.

Dwaja Arohanam on the Rohini asterism day, Ratha Arohanam on the Magara asterism day, the Brahma Thandavam on the Astha asterism day and the dharshan of Lord Siva during the Rathothsavam are the most important features of Brahmothsavam in the month of மசி (Masi) February-March which attracts a crowd of not less than 3,000 devotees, while the Arudhra Dharisanam on the Thiruvathirai day gathers a crowd of about 1,500 devotees from far and near.

The temple is managed by a Board of three trustees, and an Executive Officer, appointed by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board.

To the south of Sri Thirumuruganathaswami temple, is a separate temple for Madheswarar who is represented by a 3½ feet high swayambu Lingam, facing east. This is considered to be the original temple. There is a separate sannadhi for his consort, Sri Mangalambigai. On the top of the front mandapam of the temple, there is a gigantic and beautifully carved Nandhi instead of the traditional pagoda or gopuram which is visible even from a very long distance.

There is another temple in this place dedicated to Vinayagar and located on a small rock at a distance of about half a mile on the road, connecting Thirumurganpoodi with Avanashi. This Vinayagar is called as "Kooppidu Pillaiyar" by devotees as He is said to have directed Saint Sundarar to Lord Siva who snatched away his properties through his "Bhoothaganas" in the guise of hunters.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	3	Mettupalayam (M)	Mettupalayam (Kumbakonam street)	Sri Sundara Vinayagar temple (G)	70	0.05	Sri Sundara Vinayagar	Mettupalayam Railway station
2	4	Chikkadasampalayam	Mettupalayam	Sri Srinivasa Perumal temple (V)	60	0.50	Sri Srinivasa Perumal	Mettupalayam Railway station ½ mile
3	9	Irumbarai	Irumbarai	Sri Chennimalai Andavar temple (M)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Subramaniam	Mettupalayam Railway station 12 miles
4				Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)			Sri Kailasanathar	
5	10	Chinnakalipatti	Rangampalayam	Sri Badrakaliamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Badrakaliamman	Mettupalayam Railway station 13 miles
6	12	Kanuvakkarai	Kanuvakkarai	Sri Athanooramman temple (F)	60	0.03	Sri Athanooramman	Mettupalayam Railway station
7				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.05	Sri Vinayagar	
8				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Mariamman	
9	14	Pongalur	Pongalur	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.30	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Karamadai Railway station 15 miles
10	15	Alathur	Alathur	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Kariakaliamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vaharam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
1,000	...	...	...	Godown	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
350	Extent not stated				...	...	Garudan Seshan Swan Hanumar Kedayam Horse	Thrice a day by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
450	12'00	...	...	...	...	Not stated	Cars-2 Horse	Twice a week by a Gurukkal	Thai Poosam	227-228 of 1950-51	...
200	...	6'40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	5'33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
300	...	...	...	4'28	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
	Extent not stated				...	...	...	...	...	...	...
300	...	...	...	22'00	...	...	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Krishna Jayanthi	...	No
200	...	10'00	...	...	...	Not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
11	15	Alathur	M <del>u</del> palayam	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	150	1.43	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 20 miles
12	23	Cheyur (Serur)	Cheyur (Serur)	Sri Valceswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	1.42	Sri Valceswaraswami	Vanjipalayam Railway station 10 miles
13				Sri Kalyana Venkataramaswami temple (V)	Not Known	2.07	Sri Kalyana Venkataramaswami	
14	..	do	do	Sri Kottai Hanumantharayar temple (O)	500	0.10	Sri Kottai Hanumantharayar	Vanjipalayam Railway station 10 miles
15	..	do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.06	Sri Alaganachiamman	Tiruppur Railway station 13 miles
16	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.65	Sri Mariamman	Vanjipalayam Railway station 10 miles
17	25	Muniyandampalayam	Periakurumbapalayam	Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)	50	0.25	Sri Kariakaliyamman	Vanjipalayam Railway station 20 miles
18	26	Kanur	Kanur	Sri Kari Vinayagar temple (G)	400	0.01	Sri Kari Vinayagar	Vanjipalayam Railway station 15 miles
19				Sri Karupparoyar temple (O)			Sri Karupparoyar	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deci- phered but re- ported to exist
					Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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15,475	100-00	100-00	...	...	12,513	...	Garudan Seshan Elephant Hanuman Swan Horse Lion Car	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
3,433		Extent not stated				...	Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Arudhra Dharisanam	58-63	...
205	...	16-20	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
	...	4-00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	9-16	...	...	...	Not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival	...	No
300	...	4-48	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Velalar	No	...	No
375		Extent not stated				...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi Chithra Pournami	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
20	27	Allappalayam	Allappalayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Truppur Railway station
21	32	Pagalur	Pagalur	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	300	0.80	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Mettupalayam Railway station 8 miles
22	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.02	Sri Mariamman	do
23	35	Belladai	Bellathu	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.10	Sri Karia Mariamman	Karamadai Railway station 3 miles
24	36	Karamadai (P)	Karamadai	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (S)	200	0.50	Sri Kamakshiamman	Karamadai Railway station 1/2 mile
25	..	do	do	Sri Karpaga Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.50	Sri Karpaga Vinayagar	do
26	..	do	do	Sri Ranganadhaswami temple (V)	200	1.00	Sri Ranganadhaswami	Karamadai Railway station 3 miles
27	37	Thekkampatti	Thekkampatti	Sri Vanabadrakali- amman temple (F)	80	0.50	Sri Badrakali- amman	Mettupalayam Railway station 3 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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533	...	Not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
310	...	...	...	19'06	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Kṛṣṇa Jayanthi Vijayadasami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
300	...	10'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
263	...	16'00	...	...	...	150	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
2,141	...	...	...	2'31	...	350	Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
	2'11	4'28	...	Shops-4	...	500	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
37,901	11'35	...	...	Garden Shops-4	46,764	...	Rathams-3 Palanquin Horse Seshan Swan Hanumar Lion Silver Garudan Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Dasara Masi Magham	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	15'00	...	500	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
28	38	Kemmarampalayam	Sheliyu	Sri Thongamalai Ranganadhaswami temple (V)	300	0.05	Sri Thongamalai Ranganadhaswami	Karamadai Railway station 8 miles
29	39	Velliank	V. J. nkadu	Sri Badrakaliamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Badrakaliamman	Karamadai Railway station 10 miles
30	41	Kalampalayam	Kalampalayam	Sri Kalahastheeswaraswami temple (S)	200	0.05	Sri Kalahastheeswaraswami	Karamadai Railway station 7½ miles
31	„	do	Thayanoor	Sri Ramar Bajanaikoil (V)	50	...	Sri Ramar	Karamadai Railway station 8 miles
32	42	Marudur	Kurundamalai	Sri Kolanthai Velayudhaswami temple (M)	500	0.06	Sri Kolanthai Velayudhaswami	Karamadai Railway station 3 miles
33	„	do	Marudur (Pongampalayam)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.20	Sri Vinayagar	Karamadai Railway station 4 miles
34	„	do	do	Sri Malayala Bagavathiamman temple (F)	30	...	Sri Malayala Bagavathiamman	Karamadai Railway station 3 miles
35	45	Karaigoundanpalayam	Kil Kadavukarai	Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.35	Sri Bagavathiamman	Karamadai Railway station 5 miles
36	„	do	Karai goundanpalayam	Sri Palaimara Ranganathar temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Palaimara Ranganathaswami	Karamadai Railway station 7 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
1,500		Extent not stated				...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
551		Extent not stated				50	Horse	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,830	...	...	...	29'00	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	I hiruvathirai	...	No
400	...	20'98	...	...	...	Not stated	...	Once a day by an Archagar	No	...	No
3,000	...	...	...	82'00	...	Not stated	Car Chapparam Horse Peacock Elephant	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipoozam Navarathri	...	Yes
	...	...	...	20'80	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Poosam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
231	...	2'50	...	Houses-4 School Building-1	...	700	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
750	...	30'92	...	...	...	150	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
293	...	8'78	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
37	45	Karaigoundan-palayam	Karaigoundan-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	20	2.00	Sri Mariamman	Karamadai Railway station 9 miles
38	„	do	do	Sri Ullur Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Karamadai Railway station 9 miles
39	„	do	do	Sri Kadaikulam Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.01	Sri Kadaikulam Vinayagar	do
40	47	Kattampatti	Karamadai (Semman-palayam)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 20 miles
41	„	do	Kattampatti	Sri Pattatharasi- amman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Pattatharasi- amman	Perianaicken-palayam Railway station • 9 miles
42	„	do	do	Sri Koothandavar temple (O)	100	0.10	Sri Koothandavar	
43	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	250	0.15	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
44	48	Kunnathur	Kunnathur	Sri Varadaraja Perumal <i>alias</i> Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	0.04	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 13 miles
45	53	Kariyam-palayam	Kariyam-palayam	Sri Chinna Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.04	Sri Chinna Varadaraja Perumal	Karamadai Railway station 8 miles
46	„	do	do	Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	60	0.30	Sri Kaliyamman	Karamadai Railway station 10½ miles

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others							
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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482		Extent not stated			...	1,100	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
	...	10.90	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
290											
	...	0.97	...	...	...	..	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	4.53	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	3.72	...	300	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
900	...	...	12.79	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Dasar	No	...	No
740	...	...	...	18.72	...	15	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Rao	No	...	No
540	...	...	...	7.30	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Dasar	No	...	No
400	...	...	...	6.00	...	Not stated	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
47	54	Annur (P)	Annur	Sri Manneswara-swami temple (S)	4,000	1.11	Sri Manneswara-swami	Somanur Railway station 13 miles
48	..	do	do	Sri Periamman temple (F)	100	0.06	Sri Periamman	Mettupalayam Railway station 14 miles
49				Sri Chinnamman temple (F)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Chinnamman	
50	..	do	do	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.01	Sri Selva Vinayagar	Somanur Railway station 11 miles
51	55	Kanjapalli	Kanjapalli	Sri Theneeswaraswami <i>alias</i> Amareswaraswami temple (S)	400	0.25	Sri Theneeswarar	Somanur Railway station 10 miles
52	56	Ramanathapuram	Mettupalayam	Sri Srinivasa Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	50	0.20	Sri Srinivasa Varadaraja Perumal	Vanjipalayam Railway station 9 miles
53	60	Naduvacheri	Naduvacheri	Sri Govindaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Govindaraja Perumal	Mangalam Railway station 10 miles
54	..	do	do	Sri Kodeeswarar (S)	Not known	1.00	Sri Kodeeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 3 miles
55	63	Thulukkamuthur	Nallagathipalayam	Sri Kothandaramaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Kothandaramaswami	Vanjipalayam Railway station 10 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
2,716	...	...	...	Building	...	960	Chapparams-2 Kedayams-2 Peacock Rishabam Garudan	Not stated	Arudhra Dharisanam	581-636 of 1077	...
630	20.27	...	.	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
300			Extent not stated			270	Chapparam Bandicoot	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
701			Extent not stated			...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
450	...	...	...	11.40	...	...	...	Once a week by an Archagar	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
443	...	5.88	...	...	...	1,500	...	Once a day by a non-hereditary Ayyangar	Sivarathri Navarathri Thiruvathirai Karthigai Deepam	...	No
	...	1.50	.	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	40-42	...
310	4.20	...	...	0.90	A.	...	Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Nadar	No	...	No

## AVANASHI

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
56	63	Thulukka-muthur	Thulukka-muthur	Sri Puthuramman temple (F)	100	0.06	Sri Puthuramman	Vanjipalayam Railway station 10 miles
57	65	Palangarai	Palangarai	Sri Soleeswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.35	Sri Eswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 8 miles
58	66	Avanashi (P)	Avanashi	Sri Avanashi Lingeshwarar temple (S)	3,000	1.00	Sri Avanashi Lingeshwarar	Vanjipalayam Railway station 5 miles
59	„	do	do	Sri Karana Perumal temple (V)	80	0.05	Sri Karana Perumal	Tiruppur Railway station 9 miles
60	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Angalamman	Vanjipalayam Railway station 5 miles
61	70	Karavalurpalayam	Karavalur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	1.00	Sri Mariamman	Vanjipalayam Railway station 11 miles
62	„	do	do	Sri Gangadheeswarar temple (S)	5,000	0.50	Sri Gangadheeswarar	Tiruppur Railway station 14½ miles
63				Sri Karunagara Venkataramanaswami temple (V)		0.40	Sri Karunagara Venkataramanaswami	

341	16.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No
361	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Not stated	No	...	No
11,777	6.02	2.46	...	House shops-5 vacant plot	17,890	...	Rathams-2	Five times a day by hereditary Gurukkals	Thiruman-janam Adi Pooram Navarathri Soora Samharam Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	170-201 of 1909 and 34	...
227	...	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan Vimanam	Once a day by a Pandaram	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
300	...	...	...	Vacant site	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Poosari	Kuntam Festival during Sivarathri	...	No
7,304	...	...	...	31.78 Houses-2 Building	...	1,125	Ratham Bandicoot Horse Lion Elephant Palanquin	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
528	...	...	...	4.50	...	80	Seshan Garudan Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vijayadasami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
64	70	Karavalur	Karavalur Kka-	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami <i>alias</i> Theppakulam Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	200	0.25	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 14½ miles
65	71	Uppilipalayam	Uppilipalayam	Sri Marudakali- amman temple (F)	300	0.05	Sri Marudakali- amman	Somanur Railway station 10 miles
66				Sri Samundeswari- amman temple (V)	250	0.25	Sri Samunde- swari amman	
67	72	Thekkalur	Thekkalur	Sri Alaganachiam- man temple (F)	300	0.30	Sri Alaganachi- amman	Vanjipalayam Railway station 5 miles
68	75	Pudupalayam	Pudupalayam	Sri Samundiamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Samundiamman	Somanur Railway station 4 miles
69	75	Rakkiya- palayam	Thirumuru- ganpoondi	Sri Thirumuruga- nathaswami temple (S)	100	1.00	Sri Thirumuruga- nathaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 5 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

295	...	...	...	10.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Hanumantha Jayanthi	...	No
297	...	7.00	...	...	...	...	Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
240	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vijayadasami	...	No
450	...	...	...	13.74	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
7,920	1.65	15.71	...	...	5,589	...	Kamadhenu Ratham Rishabhams-2 Peacocks-4 Chapparams-4	Four times a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vinayaka Chathurthi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai Skandha sashti	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	17	Kuttagam	Kuttagam	Sri Madeswarar temple (S)	60	1'00	Sri Madeswarar	Vanjipalayam Railway station
2	20	Thathanur	Thathanur	Sri Ramar Bajanai temple (V)	100	0'10	Sri Adi Perumal	Vanjipalayam Railway station 17 miles
3	54	Annur (P)	Annur	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	1,000	Not stated	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Somanur Railway station 13 miles
4	55	Kanjapalli	Kanjapalli	Sri Chengandi Vinayagar temple (G)	500	0'50	Sri Chengandi Vinayagar	Somanur Railway station 11 miles
5	56	Ramanathapuram	Ramanathapuram (Nariampalli)	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar temple (G)	14	0'50	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar	Vanjipalayam Railway station 15 miles
6				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
7	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not Known	0'02	Sri Vinayagar	Vanjipalayam Railway station 9 miles
8	„	do	do	Sri Gopalakrishnaswami temple (V)	200	0'10	Sri Gopalakrishnaswami	Tiruppur Railway station 15 miles
9	64	Kuppandampalayam	Pudu Unjapalayam (Kuppanlampalayam)	Sri Kanda Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0'60	Sri Kanda Vinayagar	do
10	72	Thekkalur	Thekkalur	Sri Santhana Gopalakrishnaswami temple (V)	120	0'03	Sri Santhana Gopalakrishnaswami	Vanjipalayam Railway station 4 miles

## TALUK (Concl'd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Rcpor- ted by temple	Ref for deciph- ered ones				Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist	
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board</b>												
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rishabams-2	Once a day by a hereditary Mudaliar	No	...	No	
1,500	...	10.26	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar		...	No	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Three a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi Sankaranthi	...	Yes	
Not stated			Extent not stated				15	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	Yes	
155	...	10.44	...	...	...	120	...	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Vinayaga- Chathurthi	...	No	
200	...	...	...	10.47	...	...	...	Once a day by by a Poosari	Vinayaga- Chathurthi	...	No	
300	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No	
300	...	4.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga- Chathurthi	...	No	
300	...	...	...	34.24	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Karthigai Deepam	...	No	

## COIMBATORE TALUK

### 37. VADAVALLI PANCHAYAT

#### Sri Subramaniaswami of Maruthamalai

Maruthamalai or Maruthagiri is a small, natural hill lying to the west of Coimbatore at a distance of seven miles. It is within the limits of 3 Boluvampatti Reserve Forest. The hill which is one of the numerous spurs of the Western Ghats that span this region, is quite famous for the temple of Subramaniaswami. Though the temple is considered to be only a sub-padaiveedu of God Subramania, it attracts maximum crowd on "Krithigai" days. The temple is essentially a rural one set in what was once a "Marutham" forest. There are no sculptural beauties to attract, no monuments or inscriptions to reveal their historicity. All the same this is an ancient temple, as revealed by the Thirumuruganpoondi inscriptions near Avanashi in Coimbatore district, according to which it is \* said to be more than eight hundred years old.

The hill has an elevation of 2,500 feet and the temple is at a height of 600 feet from the foot of the hill. There is a flight of steps interspersed with attractive mandapams, connecting the foot and the top of the hill. The mandapams on the way to the temple serve as resting places for the people, who climb on these steps to reach the temple proper. Though shorn of all sculptural and architectural glories, the hilly background of this temple compensates for their absence and makes it an attractive picnic spot even from the point of view of a holiday-maker.

The presiding deity of this temple is also known as Maruthachalamurthi, and He is housed in the main building of the temple. The presiding deity is the usual Dandayuthapani with spear in His hand but without Valli and Deivayanai, His consorts. This temple came into limelight in the year 1939 when it is said, Sri Muruga appeared in a dream to Sri Ponne Gowder of this place and showed him the cave where Bambatti Siddhar (one of the eighteen Siddhar) attained "Samadhi" on this hill, the Marutham tree adjoining this cave and also the "sunai" (Perennial spring) of this hill. Sri Ponne Gowder was further directed by Sri Muruga to cut out paths to these places in the hill and renovate them. Accordingly, he did find to his utter surprise the above three in the same places as

were shown to him by the God Himself in his dream and carried out the mandate of God. From that day onwards, the worshipping of Subramania of this temple assumed greater importance in this district. It will be interesting to note here that on all "Krithigai" days, "puja" is first offered to Bambatti Siddhar and then only to the presiding deity. On these days special buses ply between Coimbatore and Maruthamalai for taking people to this hill temple.

The Subramaniaswami temple at Maruthamalai is a padal Petra sthalam. Saints like Arunagirinathar and Arunachalakavirayar have visited this temple and sung in praise of the greatness of Subramania of this place. The "Thiruppugazh" pieces of Arunagirinathar and the "Maruthachalakadavul Pillai Tamizh" of Arunachalakavirayar bear reference to the Lord of this temple. Sri Muruga of this place is the "kula deivam" for many people of this district. It is quite common in this district to name children after this hill like "Maruthachalam", "Maruthamalai Gounder".

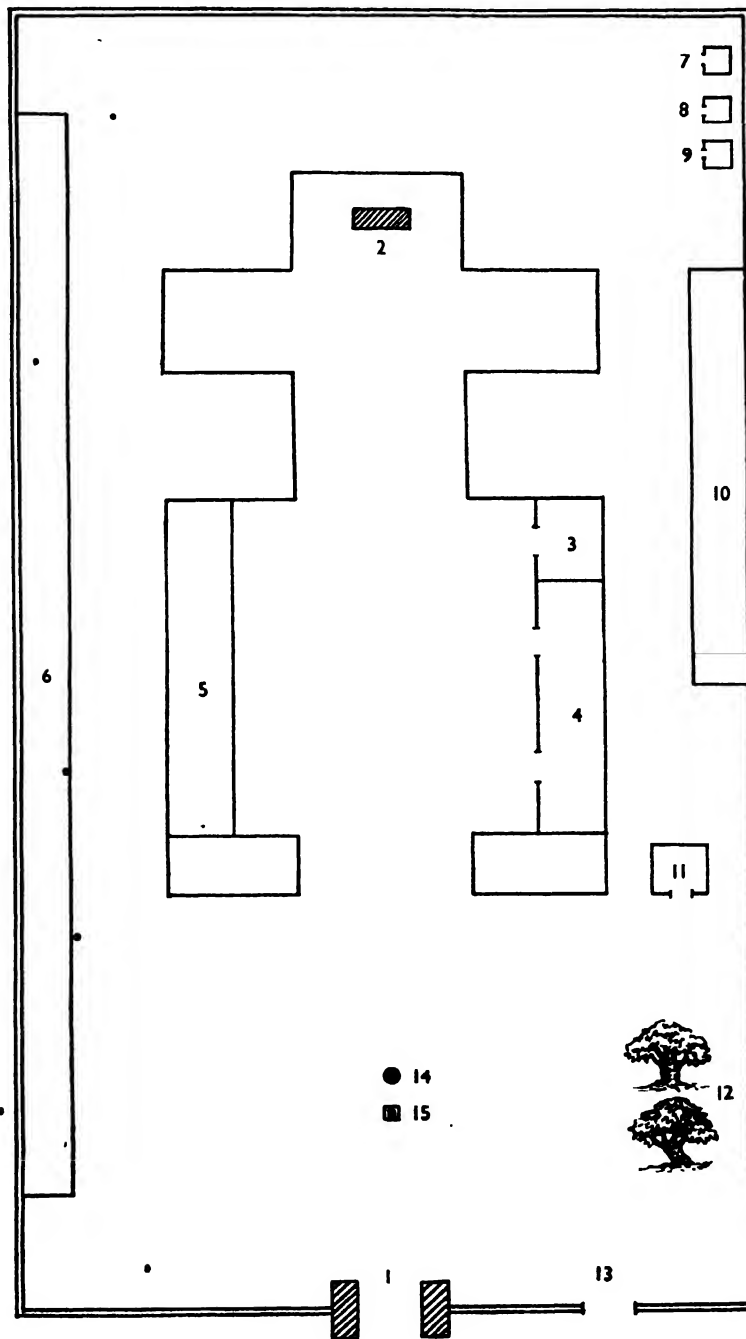
Maruthamalai is one of the five sacred hills associated with Perur. Extensive reference to this hill temple will be found in the sthalapuranam of Perur.

It is not clear whether Maruthamalai acquired fame as a fortification for Perur, the once famous and flourishing city or because of the sacred Marutha tree which has since fallen or as the abode of பாம்பாட்டி சித்தர் (Bambatti Siddhar) or as Murugan temple. It seems appropriate here to state briefly about chitta philosophy and Bambatti Siddhar.

It is believed that there were eighteen Siddhars who were scholars in medicine and religion about whom reference has also been made under 55 Boluvampatti Reserve Forest. Their number as well as their philosophy is a matter of controversy. Their age is uncertain ranging from Christian era to 10th century. It is said that some of the Chittars belong to North India and even one, if not more, belong to other nations. Thus Bogar, with whose name is associated the hill temple of Palni of Madurai district, is considered to have come from China.

Bambatti Siddhar with whose name this hill is associated was originally a snake charmer. Once he

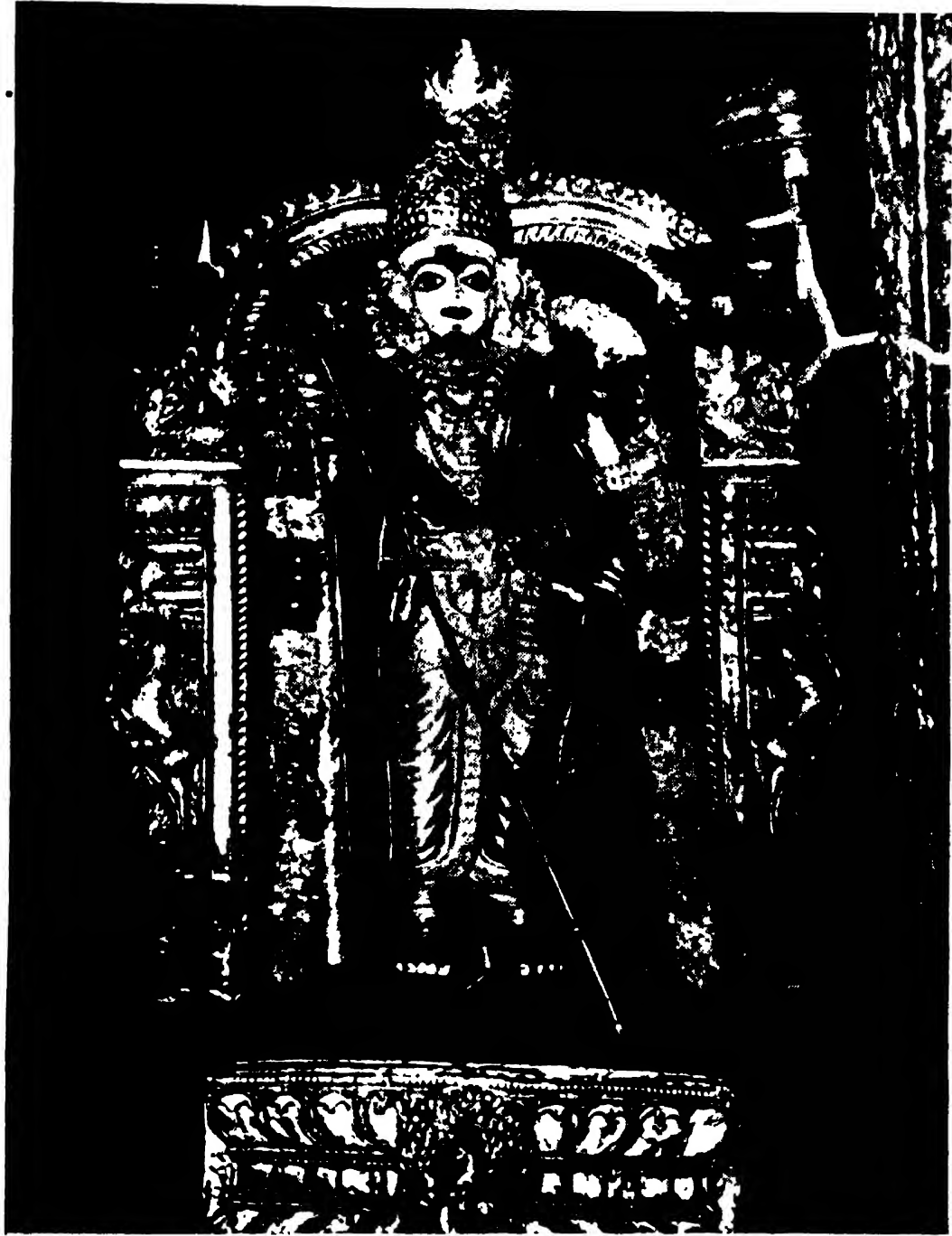
# SRI KONIAMMAN TEMPLE COIMBATORE TOWN (Not to Scale)



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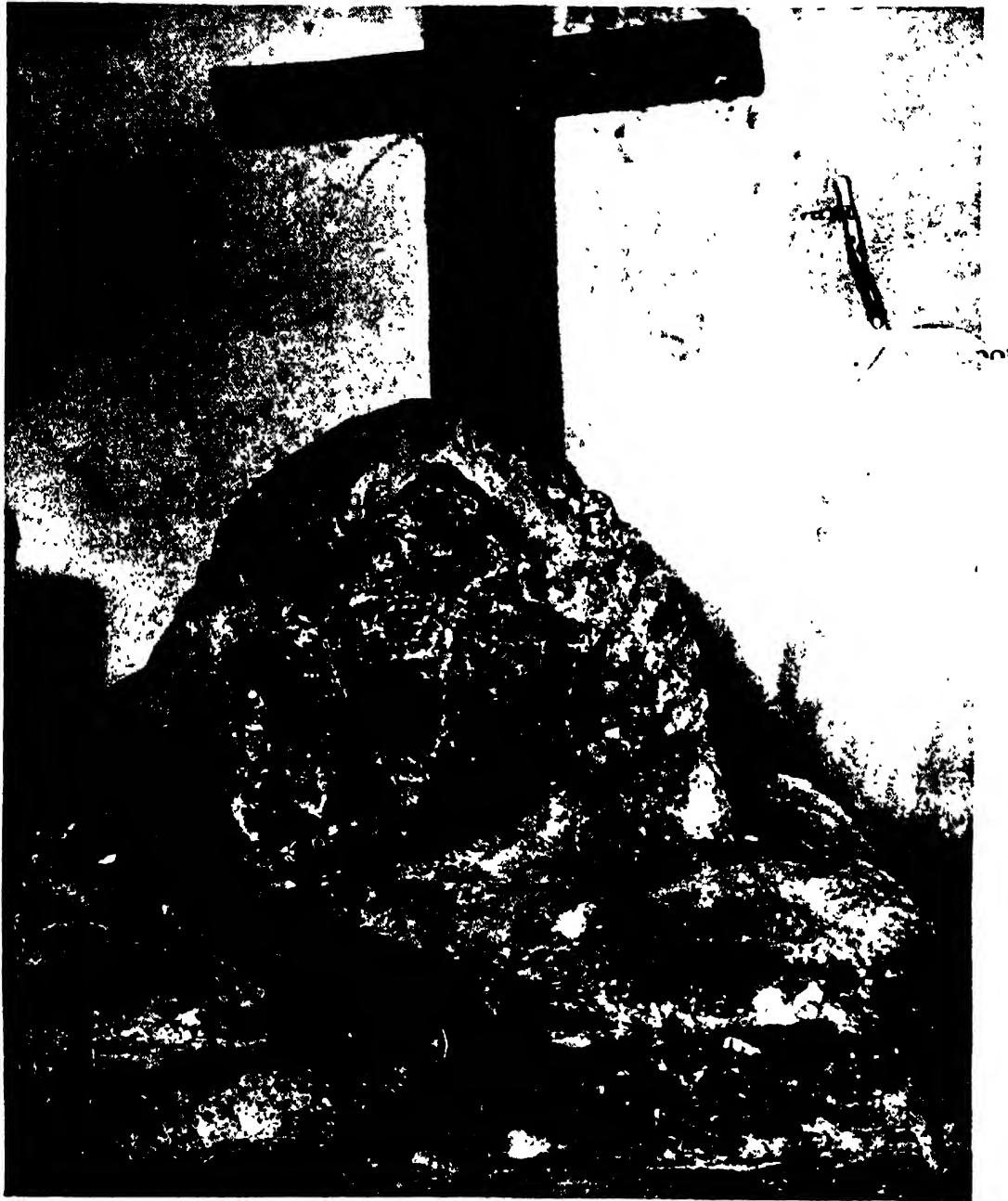


Idol of Sri Subrahmaniaswami, Maruthamalai.



A view of the Subrahmaniaswami temple, Maruthamalai





An ancient image in the Sri Kanniamman temple, Coimbatore.



happened to meet a Siddhar (சட்டை முனிவர்) who preached him the Siddha philosophy. By his mystic powers he entered into the frame of a dead king's body and made a dead snake dance in front of the queen. After this incident he is called (பாம்பாட்டி-சித்தர்) Bambatti Siddhar. Besides religious songs, he seems to have written on medicine and (ஆகுடம்) astrology. There is also a belief that he lived in Pandia country. His songs are always addressed to snakes. Quite a number of them are known for easy style and rhythm depicting the snake dance which are sung by great musicians, rural folks and beggars. The language used in his songs are more vehement, forceful, specific and meaningful as in the following case:—

காடுமலை நதிபதி காசி முதலாய்க்  
கால்கடுக்க ஓடிப் பலன் சானல் ஆகுமோ?  
வீடு பெறும் வழிநிலை மேலிக் கொள்ளவே  
வேதாந்தத் துறையினின்று ஆடாய் பாம்பே.

“Oh snake! Dance that no useful purpose is attained by wearisome pilgrimages to forests, hills, rivers or sacred places like Kasi (Banaras) but resort to philosophical approach to attain immortality”.

What is the Vedanta or philosophy referred to in this poem and other poems referred to by one and all the Siddhas is a matter for deep study and research.

#### 40. COIMBATORE MUNICIPALITY

##### Sri Koniamman temple

In days of yore, dwellings were built as close as possible to the village place of worship. One such place worship was the Koniamman temple, which is now situated in the heart of Coimbatore. This shrine is one of the most popular temples in the city and several citizens have been named after the deity.

According to Cholan Purva Pattayam of the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library, an Irula chief called Kovan constructed a few Kraals at a place named after him as (கோவன்பதி) Kovanpathi, where he lived with his clan. The patron deity of Kovanpathi was the Mother Goddess whose idol was installed by Kovan. Legend has it that one day the idol was found slanting, whence it came to be called as (கோணல் அம்மன்) “Konalamman” and later as “Koniamman”. Kovanpathi was then surrounded by a thick forest.

Years rolled by and Karikala Cholan came to the then flourishing City of Perur with Cheraman Perumal.

He cleared the forest adjacent to Perur and which also surrounded Kovampathi; and made a new village renaming it as Kovan Puthur (கோவன் புத்தூர் or the new village of Kovan) which in due course has assumed the present name of கோயம்புத்தூர் (Coimbatore). He shifted the temple from what is now known as “Sankanoor Pallam” to its present location. A temple in ruins, to be found even today at Sankanoor Pallam, is popularly referred to as “Old Koniamman temple”.

Located on a two-acre site the present building of the temple is said to be some 600 years old. Till the famous plague of 1912 which ravaged most of South India, the temple had a tank in front of its entrance. Then, a floating festival used to be an annual feature. During the plague, the Collector ordered the tank to be closed and handed it over to the Municipality, who filled it and used some of the stone slabs of the steps for building pavements. The spot where the tank existed is now marked by a few shops nearby. About seven years ago, leading citizens of the city met and passed a resolution requesting the Municipality to hand the tanksite back to the temple.

The existing temple is a very small one in the heart of the city. Renovation work has now been undertaken—a big plan to erect a five-storeyed gopuram at the entrance with attractive mandapams leading up to the shrine. The garba graham or sanctum and vimanamams are also to be reconstructed and a Kumbabishegam on a grand scale is programmed. The cost involved is estimated to be Rs. 6 lakhs.

This temple, which was first built by an Irula Chieftain, later became the centre of a hamlet and developed as a suburb of the then flourishing town Perur. Today, that Irula settlement of Kovanpudur has been transformed into a large city, compared to which Perur is insignificant but for its historic and ancient temple of Patteeswarar. Ironically the Irulas who were the original inhabitants of this big city of Coimbatore are still backward and are classified as a Scheduled Tribe.

Jewels worth Rs. 50,000/- are kept in the temple. Seven shops belong to the temple with an annual income of Rs. 12,000/-. Annual hundi income is approximately Rs. 4,000/- and a sum of Rs. 2,000/- per annum is collected from devotees for performing poojas, abhishekams etc. A Brahmin gurukkal performs

poojas three times a day. The chief annual festival or Brahmothsavam is held in the month of மார்ச் (February–March.). The temple has its own cars, Rathams and vahanams which are of very recent origin, say, thirty years old. Being situated in the heart of the city the annual festival attracts thousands of people from within and outside the city. The temple affairs are managed by a board of five trustees and an Executive Officer of the Hindu Religious and Charitable (Administration) Department.

## 55. BOLUVAMPATTI RESERVE FOREST

### Temples at Velliangiri and Poondi

About twentyfive miles west of Coimbatore city lies a hilly region known as Boluvampatti Reserve forest, which is part of Western Ghats. Buses ply upto Chemmedu about twentytwo miles away from Coimbatore. From there, a gravel road leads to Poondi, the foot of Velliangiri both of which are considered sacred from time immemorial. This is one of the five sacred hills associated with Perur. References are made about Velliangiri in (நாரதர் வழிபாடு படலம்) Perur Sthalapuram. A small temple has recently been constructed at Poondi but no temple exists at Velliangiri, the hill top which is about 5,100 ft., above mean sea level. Shrubs and wild animals make the hill top inaccessible for most part of the year. Still every year, thousands of pilgrims visit the hill top starting from Sivarathri in the Tamil month of Masi (February) till May-June (வைகாசிமாத அக்னி நகத்திரம்). Rich people consider it a sacred affair to feed the pilgrims and as such, feeding is an important phenomenon. The fact that every year about Rs. 50,000 accrue to the Devasthanam funds on account of this pilgrimage will give an idea of the faith the people have in Velliangiri. Still no conventional type of pooja or festival is performed at the hill top even though Poojas are performed to a Lingam installed under a tree at Poondi by a Chola Vellala Pillai.

There prevails a legend that Arjuna got the Pasupath Astham after worshipping the God at Velliangiri. Women are not allowed to the sacred place at the hill top. Even though there is no temple at the top, there is a big rock under which there are five Swayambu Lingams. Kavadis are taken to the hill top to fulfil vow. The temple is managed by a single trustee.

## 61. INAM PERUR

### Sri Patteeswaraswamy temple.

Perur or Mel Chidambaram, a small village about five miles from Coimbatore is ideally situated on the banks of the Noyyal or Conjee, a tributary of the river Cauvery and is well connected with Coimbatore, one of the biggest cities of Madras State. The temple at Perur is a Saivite shrine with a Swayambumoorthis. This is perhaps one of the very few ancient and historic temples of Coimbatore District, which is receiving some attention. It is a pilgrim centre, particularly in the month of December when "Arudhra Dharisanam" is celebrated. The very word "Perur" in Tamil (பேரூர்) connects a place of renown.

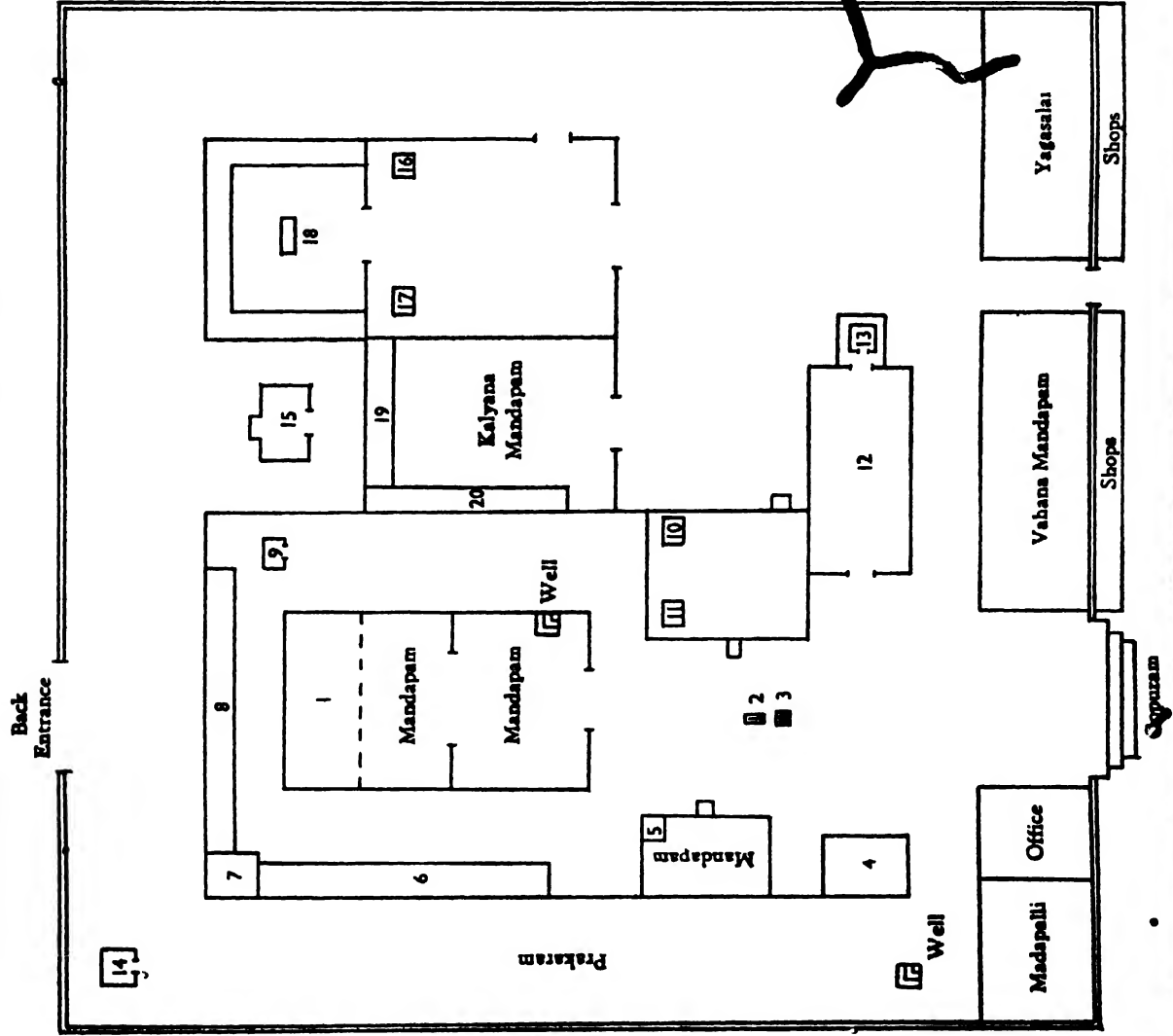
According to the sthalapuram, when the calf of Kamadhenu was playing in a forest of Ashu trees (Pippilaranya) its leg got caught into a hard object embedded in the earth from which blood gushed out. The object was later discovered to be a sacred Siva Linga. Later on, a temple was built at the site which attracted people from far and wide.

When Saint Sundarar wished to worship the deity, the Swamy and Amman took the form of Pallars, and were engaged in the planting of paddy seedlings in a neighbouring field. The Saint discovered that the labourers were none other than Swamy and Amman. He was rewarded with the dharisana of the Lord. The Kanaka Sabhai or the Golden Hall of Dance has beautiful form of Nataraja in the dancing posture which He manifested to the Rishis – Gomuni and Pattimani.

The garba ghaha (i.e.) sanctum was built by Karikal Chola in the early Christian Era. In the sixth century, Saint Appar seems to have visited the place since it is mentioned in his Thevaram. In the ninth century, Sundarar visited the temple and immortalised it in his Thevaram. In the Konguchola period (11th to 13th centuries) Ardha Mantapa and Mahamantapa were built and used for inscribing numerous gifts to the temple. In the 14th and 15th centuries, the Hoysala and Vijayanagar Kings gave endowments. In the 16th and 17th centuries Vijayanagar and Nayaka Kings made additions. The famous Kanaka Sabhai was built by Alagadri Nayak of Madura in the 17th century. Tippu Sultan of Mysore attached half of the Ihams of the temple in the 18th century. Later on, the East India Company restored it to the temple. The Swami and Amman Temples were renovated in the middle of the 18th century and later on, the mantap of 63 Saints was built. In the 20th century, the Kalyana mantapa and

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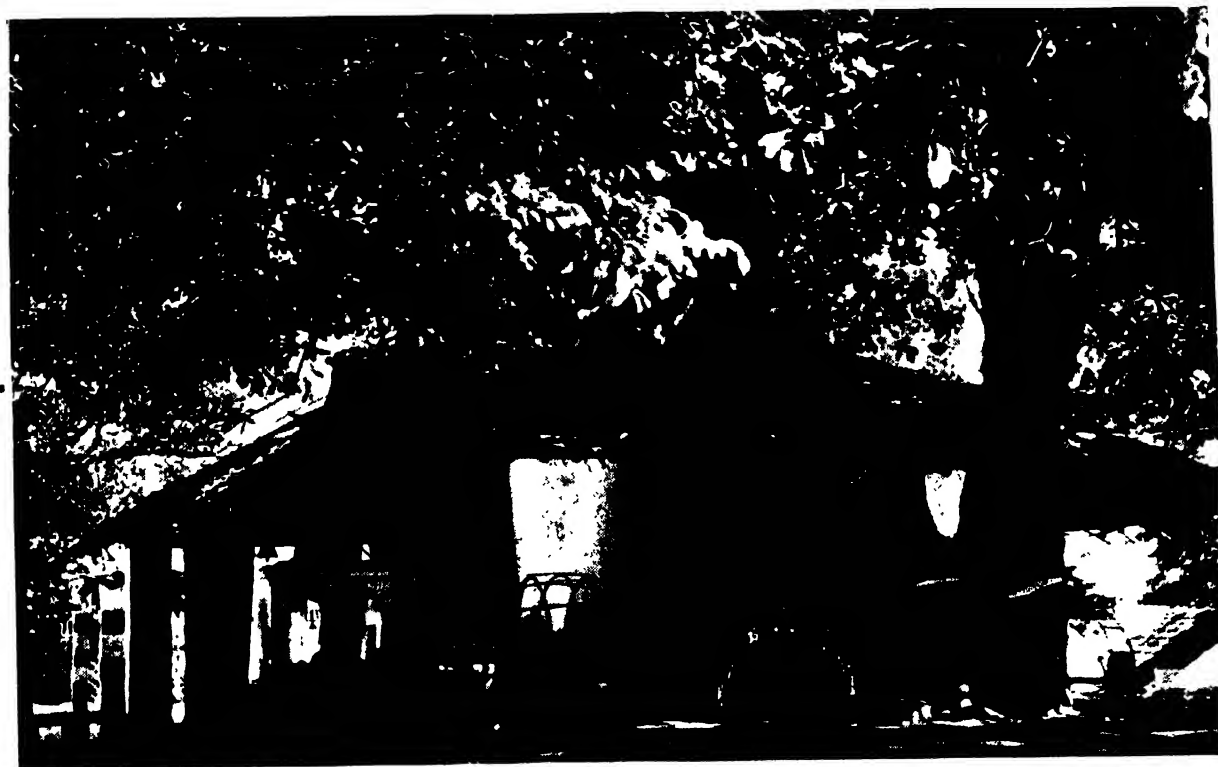
PERUR  
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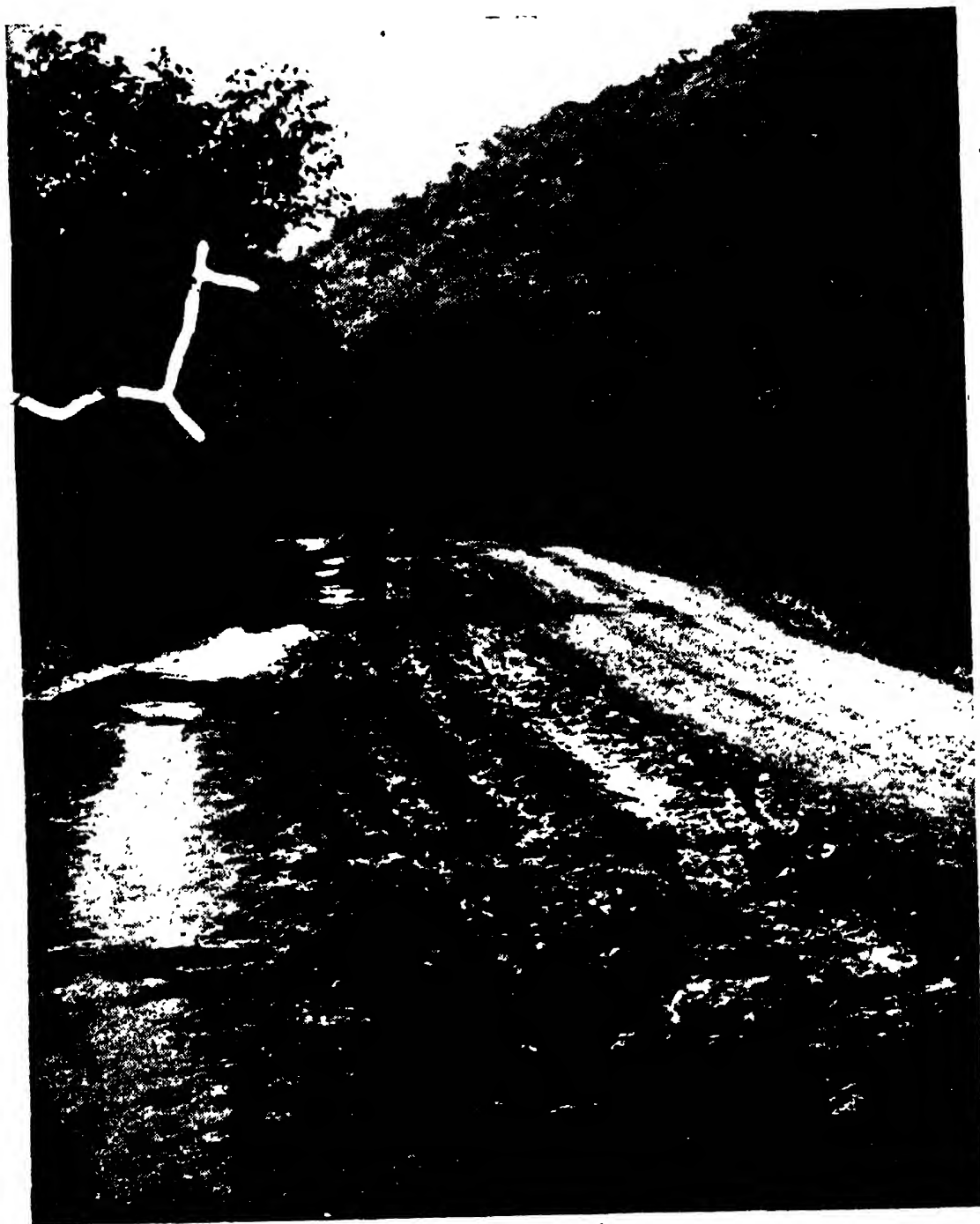




**Sthalavriksham, Velliangiri**



**Front view of the Velliangiri temple.**

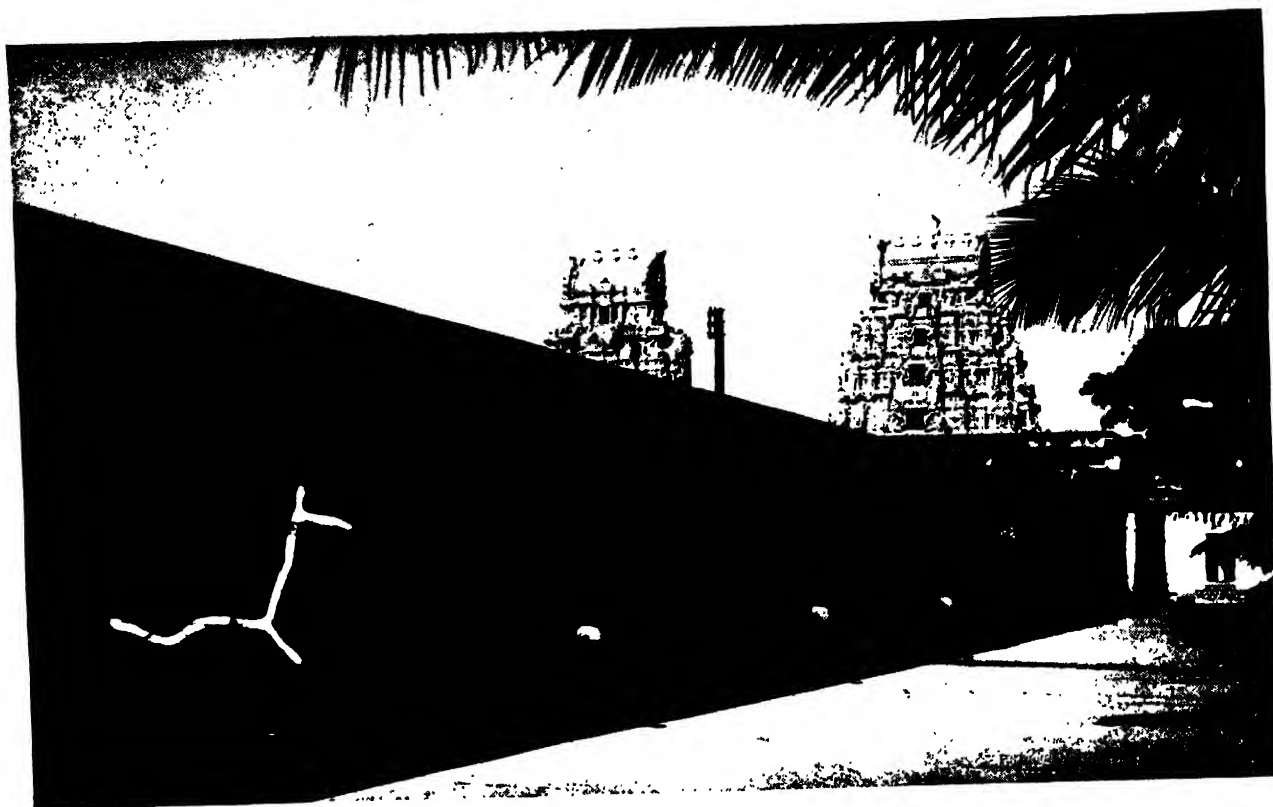


Forest road to Velliangiri

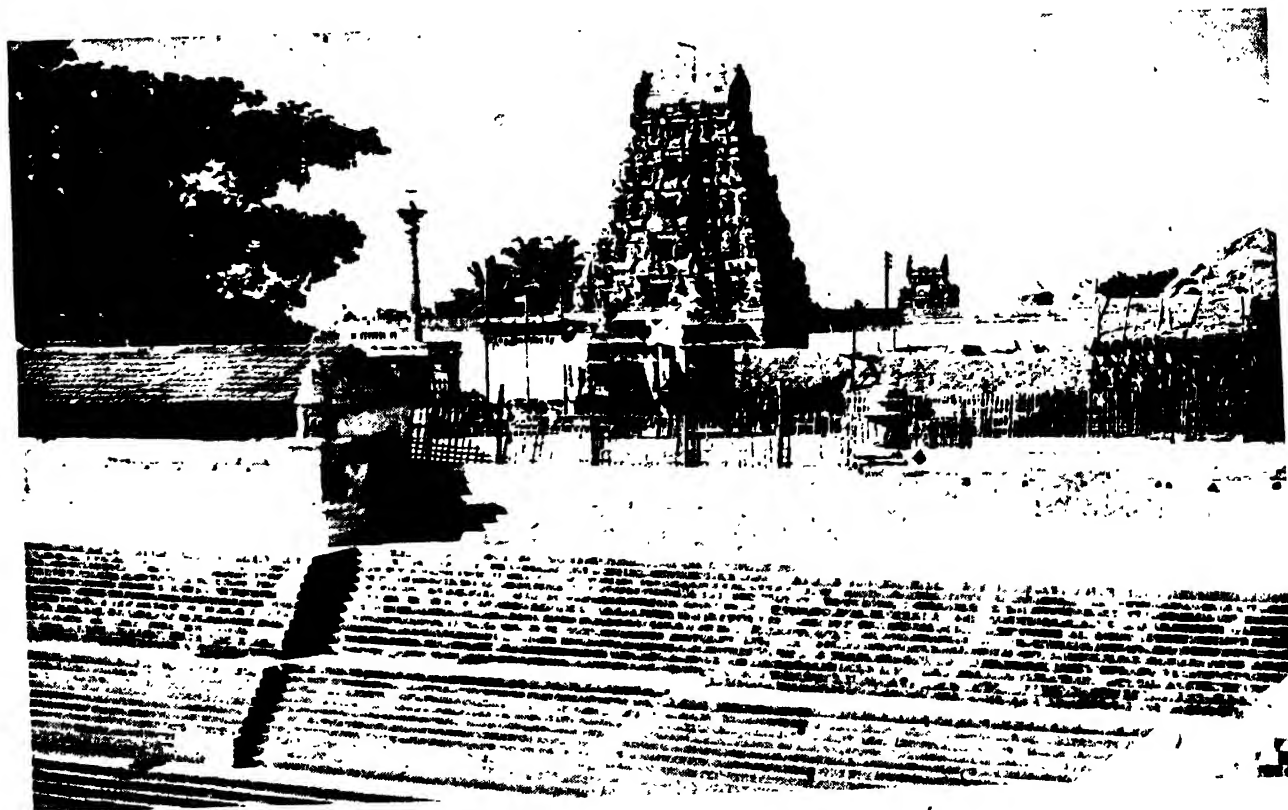




A view of the beautiful mantapam, Perur temple.



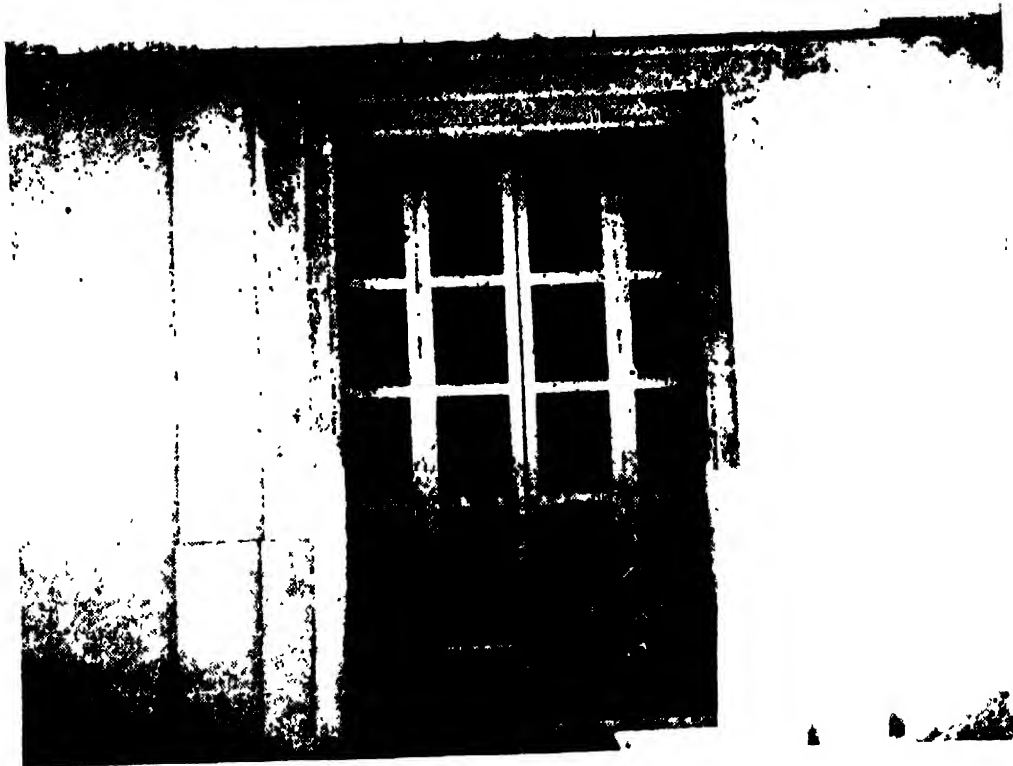
The massive wall of the Patteeswaraswami temple



Steps leading to the bathing ghat in front of the temple.



A beautiful carving on the temple wall, Perur.



An attractive carving on a pillar in the temple.



Dancing girl — Carving on a pillar.



Another beautiful carving on a pillar.



A romantic sculpture in the temple.





the front mantapam were built and the gopuram was repaired. Historically, the surroundings of Perur date back to the Roman period, as a Treasure Trove of Roman coins were discovered here. Kistavans were also found in the fields on the river and were known as Pandavar Kuli.

This ancient place has produced literary and historical compositions. "Cholan's Poorva Pattayam" (Madras Government Oriental Series No. V) deals with the origin of the Temple and gives an account of the folk-lore of the place. Government Oriental Manuscripts Library, Madras has also published, under the authority of the Government of Madras, Perurkkovai (No. CXXIV). This is a poem in praise of Lord Siva, the presiding deity of this temple and illustrates the rules defining the characteristics of Akapporul (அகப்பொருள்) of Tamil literature. The inscriptions ranging for a few centuries give valuable information about the customs and manners that existed a thousand years ago. The Thiruppugazh pieces of Arunagirinathar give an account of temples five centuries ago. The Perur Puranam of the Poet Kachiyappa Munivar is a literary poem. The numerous Prabhandams by various poets form the final collection of Literature about Perur. Lastly the Saint Santhalingar whose earthly remains are enclosed in the mutt known by his name, has left four religious books of which "Against Killing" is a moral philosophical poetry. At this juncture, mention has to be made that an Oriental College has been started in the mutt premises.

The famous Kanaka Sabhai presents an unique collection of stone sculpture carvings. Its two rows of ten big pillars have exquisite carvings of Siva manifestations. Its terraced roof has stone-chains with a numerously petalled lotus at the centre. The smaller pillars have a large number of mythological carvings. The teppakulam has symmetrical steps with 16 angles. There is a belief that this tank was built up with stones pulled down from a Vishnu temple which was constructed by Pandian Nedunjadiyan in 740—770 A.D. and is referred to in the copper plates kept at Madras Museum.

The Noyyal river with green cocoanut topes gives a beautiful background with its cholanthurai. The

temple of Patti Vinayagar is a beautiful one though simple. The temple of Arasambalavanar is located in the place where the deity danced under the Peepal tree. South and North Kailasams are two small temples guarding the two directions of the sacred place. The Village deity Athi-moorkamman has left a relic of human sacrifice which took place when the temple was built. These and other innumerable items are found scattered in this ancient place.

The temple has an annual income of about Rs. 25,000/- out of which the major income of a little over Rs. 15,000 is from the fees for Archanai Abishekam etc. Two important festivals are celebrated one in the month of மார்ச்சு (March—April) and the other in the month of டிசம்பர் (December—January). Each of the festival lasts for ten days and attracts about 10,000 worshippers from neighbouring areas.

The faiths and beliefs connected with this place are many. It is said that if the bones of dead persons are immersed in (காஞ்சிமாநதி) Canjee river, it is converted into stone and remains in a state of non-deterioration. The sacred trees (பிறவாப்புளி, இறவாப்பனை) are of mythological fame as evidencing immunity from death and birth vouchsafed by this sacred place. The seeds of the sacred 'birthless tamarind tree' are considered to be sterile and the sacred 'deathless palmyrah tree' exists from time immemorial. Cow dung left at the border of this sacred place remain as such without producing worms. This phenomenon is considered to represent that those who visit this place do not have rebirth. A similar belief exists in the case of those who visit Banaras (Varanasi or Kasi). Copper coins left in the sacred பிழம்பதீர்த்தம் (Brahma Theertham) shine like gold. So also a dip in the sacred water makes every man shine and cures any ailment like madness and egoism.

Perur is surrounded by five hills which were considered the abode of Devas and consequently they are sacred. They are Velli Malai, Neeli malai alias Umadeviar malai, Ayyaswami malai or Brahman malai, Perumal mudi alias Vishnu malai and Marudamalai. Even today large scale pilgrimage to Maruthamalai and Velliangiri can be witnessed.

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	2	Vellamadaï	Vellai	Sri Vellai Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.03	Sri Vellai Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
2	„	do	do	Sri Pattatharasi-amman temple (F)	120	0.02	Sri Pattatharasi-amman	do
3	3	Virapandi	Periathadagam	Sri Dharmaraja temple (O)	100	0.03	Sri Dharmarajar	Coimbatore Railway station 10 miles
4	„	do	do	Sri Anubavi Subramaniaswami temple (M)	Not known	0.05	Sri Subramaniaswami	Tudiyalur Railway station 7 miles
5	5	Nayakkanpalayam	Nayakkanpalayam	Sri Palamalai Ranganadhar temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Palamalai Ranganadhar	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
6				Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)			Sri Karivaradarajar	
7	7	Agraharasamakulam	Agraharasamakulam	Sri Visweswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	0.27	Sri Visweswaraswami	Perianaickenpalayam Railway station 4 miles
8	„	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami temple (V)	do	0.06	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	do
9	8	Kondayampalayam	Vaiyampalayam (Agraharasama-	Sri Venugopala-krishnaswami temple (V)	80	0.02	Sri Venugopala-krishnaswami	Pudupalayam Railway station 5 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
439	...	...	...	7'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
482	...	...	...	10'00	...	50	Lion	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival	...	No
2,178	...	32'13	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gurukkal	Thai Poosam	...	No
372	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
370	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3,494	2'89	39'02	...	...	...	205	Rishabam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
2,405	2'44	35'71	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
3,367	4'00	...	...	...	...	1,500	Horse Swan Garudan Seshan	Three times a day by a Bhattachariar	Sri Rama Navami Deepavali	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	9	Sirkarsamakulam	Sirkarsamakulam	Sri Marudachala Kadavul <i>alias</i> Kalakaleswarar temple (S)	2,000	0.75	Sri Kalakaleswaraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
11	10	Kiranatham	Kiranatham	Sri Karupparoyar temple (O)	Not known	1.41	Sri Karupparoyar	Pudupalayam Railway station 4 miles
12	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	125	0.15	Sri Mariamman	do
13				Sri Kaliamman temple (F)			Sri Kaliamman	
14				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
15	„	do	do	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	do
16	„	do	do	Sri Dhandapani temple (M)	30	0.10	Sri Dhandapani	do
17	„			Sri Ganesar temple (G)			Sri Ganesar	
18	11	Idikkarai	Chennamanaickenpalayam	Sri Dharmarajaswami temple (O)	35	0.30	Sri Dharmarajaswami	Pudupalayam Railway station 2½ miles
19	„	do	Idikkarai	Sri Pallikonda Ranganadhar temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Pallikonda Ranganadhar	Pudupalayam Railway station 2 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.	Rs.				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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385	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparams-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Skandasashti Arudra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	Yes
300	...	...	...	8'00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300				Extent not stated		15	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
600	...	5'00	...	...	...	164	Garudan	Twice a day by an Archagar	No	...	No
405	...	10'00	...	Garden 4'50	...	50	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
350				Extent not stated	House-1	...	300	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Kundam Festival once in five years	...	No
460	...	...	...	...	...	150	Cars-2	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Car Festival in Chithirai	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
20	11	Idikkarai	Idikkarai	Sri Valleswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Valleswaraswami	Pudupalayam Railway station 4 miles
21	"	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Mariamman	do
22	12	Narasimhanaickenpalayam	Narasimhanaickenpalayam	Sri Lakshminarasimha Perumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Lakshminarasimha Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
23	13	do	Kurudampalayam	Sri Virudheeswaraswami temple (S)	120	0.30	Sri Virudheeswaraswami	Thudiyalur Railway station 3 mile
24	15	Chinnathadagam	Chinnathadagam	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Angalamman	Coimbatore-North Railway station 9 miles
25	16	Nanjundapuram	Naniundapuram	Sri Ramar temple (V)	100	0.01	Sri Ramar	Podanur Railway station 1 mile
26	"	do	do	Sri Subramania-swami temple (M)		0.10	Sri Subramania-swami	Coimbatore Railway station 8 miles
27				Sri Badrakali Amman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Badrakali Amman	
28				Sri Panduranga Perumal temple (V)		0.06	Sri Panduranga Perumal	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,326	Extent not stated			House-1	...	100	Chapparams-2 Rishabam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam	5	36
400	...	...	...	10'00	...	50	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	12'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,446	...	8'50	...	...	...	Value not stated	Rishabam Horse Peacock Sooran Garudan	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai Soora Samharam	...	No
486	...	...	...	8'82	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
450	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	Pongal Sri Rama Navami	...	No
400	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
914											

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
29	16	Nanjunda-puram	Pannaicken-puram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 10 miles
30	..	do	do	Sri Srinivasa Perumal alias Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Srinivasa Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 13 miles
31	17	Pannimadai	Kasimanji-goundan pudur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 18 miles
32	..	do	Pannimadai	Sri Krishnaswami temple (V)	300	0.10	Sri Krishna-swami	Tudiyalur Railway station 2 miles
33	22	Vilankurichi	Vilankurichi	Sri Arulperunjothi Natarajaswami (S)	116	1.00	Arulperunjothi Sri Natarajaswami Sri Sidhi Vinayagar	Peelamedu Railway station 3 miles
34	..	do	do	Sri Ishtasidhi Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.02	Sri Ishtasidhi Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 11 miles
35	..	do	do	Sri Vallabhai Ganesar temple (G)	200	0.02	Sri Vallabhai Ganesar temple	Coimbatore Railway station 7 miles
36				Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)			Sri Venugopala-swami	
37	..	do	Kalapathy	Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Karivarada-raja Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 16 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,062 *	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Vellala Pannara	Amman Festival	...	No
4,419	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
250	...	...	...	4'00	...	50	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No
3,500	...	20'81	...	Garden 9.11	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
250	...	...	...	7'91	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Achariar	Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam Thai Poosam Chitrapournami Gurupooja in Masi	...	Yes
435	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
215	...	3'15	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Sri Jayanthi	...	No
1,600	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
38	22	Vilankurichi	Vilankurichi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 16 miles
39				Sri Thanthoniamman temple (F)		0.02	Sri Thanthoniamman	
40	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	do
41				Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	150	0.02	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	
42	24	Kallipalayam	Kallipalayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 11 miles
43	26	Singanallur (P)	Singanallur	Sri Ulagalanda Perumal temple (V)	2,000	0.38	Sri Ulagalanda Perumal	Singanallur Railway station
44	„	do	do	Sri Thirumalaiappar temple (S)	Not known	0.03	Sri Thirumalaiappar	Coimbatore Railway station 5 miles
45	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Singanallur Railway station 2 miles
46	27	Uppilipalayam	Coimbatore (Uppilipalayam)	Sri Thandu Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Thandu Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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360	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No
800	...	12'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
305	...	Extent not	stated	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
473	558	...	...	...	...	Not stated	Garuda Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vanava Jayanthi Vijaya Dasami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
280	Extent not	stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
5,026	...	...	...	Houses-4	...	...	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Pannadi	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
18,862	...	...	...	Shops-7	4,479*	...	Lion Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
47	29	Peelamedu (P)	Peelamedu	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	40	0.05	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 3 miles
48	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.03	Sri Mariamman	do
49	31	Udayanpalayam	Udayanpalayam	Sri Annamar alias Viswanatheeswarar temple (S)	150	0.06	Sri Kasiviswanathar	Coimbatore Railway station 4 miles
50	32	Annupparpalayam (Part)	Annupparpalayam (Avinashi Rd.)	Sri Kooppidu Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Kooppidu Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station
51	33	Ganapathy	Ganapathy	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	100	0.10	Sri Venugopalaswami	Coimbatore Railway station 4 miles
52	..	do	do	Sri Athanooramman temple (F)	25	0.75	Sri Athanooramman	Coimbatore Railway station 3 miles
53	..	do	do	Sri East Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 4 miles
54				Sri West Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
55				Sri Royamuniappar temple (O)	Not known	0.05	Sri Muniappar	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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855	...	...	...	Shops Houses	...	Value not stated	Garuda	Twice a day by hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
369	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	Twice a day by a Poosari		...	No
923	...	...	...	0.28	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Maha Sivarathri	...	No
2,427	...	...	...	Coconut grove 2.82 acres Cinema theatre-1 Shop-1	...	...	Bandicoot	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	Vijaya Dasami Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
269	...	...	...	Houses Lands	...	500	Garuda	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami Sri Krishna Jayanthi	235 of 1961-62	...
300	...	...	...	...	...	300	Lion	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
1,610	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
56	33	Ganapathy	Ganapathy	Sri Prasanna Vinayagar temple (G)	40	0.07	Sri Prasanna Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 4 miles
57	37	Vadavalli	Bomma-palayam	Sridevi and Bhudevi Samedha Srinivasa Perumal temple (V)	150	0.03	Sri Srinivasa Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 9 miles
58	„	do	Marudamalai	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	400	2.00	Sri Subramania-swami	Coimbatore Railway station 8 miles
59	„	do	Vadavalli	Sri Karivaradaraja-swami temple (V)	150	0.03	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	do
60	„	do	do	Sri Mudiappanalluramman temple (F)	200	0.25	Sri Mudiappanalluramman	do
61	38	Veerakeralam	Sundapalayam	Sri Srinivasa Varadarajar temple (V)	200	0.30	Sri Srinivasa-varadarajar	Coimbatore Railway station 7 miles
62	39	Telungu-palayam	Venkitapuram	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	100	0.03	Sri Subramania-swami	Coimbatore Railway station 11 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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81.9	...	...	...	...	...	500	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaran.	Vinayaga Chathurthi Tamil New Year's day Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1 428	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
29,161	5'00	1'50	...	...	20,231	...	Cars-2 Peacocks-3 Elephant Horse	Five times a day by an Archagar	Karthigai Deepam Thai Poosam Panguni Uthiram Vaikasi Visakam	105 of 1936	...
1,660	6'00	10'00	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
1,945	20'00	...	...	...	...	200	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
19,443	13'86	80'00	...	Houses-2 Vacant plot 0'30	...	1,000	Car Palanquin Sesha Elephant Garudan Chapparam	Thrice a day by an Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Brahmotsavam in Purattasi	...	No
300	...	...	...	15'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
63	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore (Vythi Street)	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	250	0.17	Sri Angalamman	Coimbatore Railway station ½ mile
64	..	do	Coimbatore (T. Vairiyur Street)	Sri Ayyaswami temple (S)			Sri Ayyaswami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
65				Sri Lakshminarayanaswami temple (V)	150	0.06	Sri Lakshminarayanawami	
66				Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)			Sri Badrakaliyamman	
67	..	do	Kottur	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	Not known	0.08	Sri Subramaniam	do
68	..	do	Coimbatore (Naranjar Street)	Sri Basaveswaraswami temple (S)	200	0.10	Sri Basaveswaraswami	do
69	..	do	Coimbatore (Big Bazaar Street)	Sri Chamundeswariyamman temple (F)	200	0.25	Sri Chamundeswariyamman	Coimbatore Railway station ½ mile
70	..	do	Coimbatore (Big Bazaar)	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Kamakshiamman	Coimbatore Railway station ½ mile
71	..	do	do	Sri Muthu Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Muthu Vinayagar	do



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

783	...	...	...	Shops-4	...	228	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Navarathri Sivarathri	...	No
4,188	...	...	...	Houses	...	200	Horse Hauuman Garuda Sesha	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	Kuntam Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	No
269	...	...	...	...	...	260	Peacock	Twice a day by a Poosari	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
354	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Devangar	Gokula-shtami	...	No
1,393	...	...	...	Shops Houses	...	Value not stated	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival	...	No
4,420	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bandicoot	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
72	40	Coimbatore	Coimbatore (F)	Sri Sangameswara-swami temple (S)	1,000	0.50	Sri Sangameswaraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
73				Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)		0.15	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
74	„	do	do	Sri Karadikoil Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	do
75				Sri Venugopalaswamy temple (V)			Sri Venugopala-swamy	
76	„	do	do	Sri Kanniamman temple (F)	92	0.75	Sri Kanniamman	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
77	„	do	Coimbatore (Uppara Street)	Sri Kothandarama-swami temple (V)	50	0.03	Sri Kothandaramar	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
78	„	do	Coimbatore (Ukkadam)	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V)	50	0.05	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 3.8 mile
79	„	do	Coimbatore (Sakravarpet)	Sri Mahaliyman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mahaliyman	Coimbatore Railway station 1 1/4 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

17,022	...	9'00	...	...	9,250	...	Peacock (Silver)	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Chithirai Festival Thaipooam	...	No
	...	...	...	Garden 2 acres	...	...	Garudas Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Isakam Annual Car Festival	...	No
8,108	...	...	20'00	...	19,296	...	Swan Horse Palanquin Garuda Others-2	Thrice a day by an Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Jayanthi	...	No
18,736	...	...	...	Shops-7	31,960	...	Car Lion Elephant Horse Bandicoot Yali Rishabam Parrot Kamadhenu	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal and a hereditary Poosari	Navarathri Brahmothsavam for 15 days	...	No
5,592	...	...	...	Buildings-3	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
4,630	Extent not stated			Shops	...	1,000	Ratham Horse Sesha	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri	...	No
540	...	...	...	Shops	...	100	Lion	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
80	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore <del>Kannara</del> Street)	Sri Pettai Visweswaraswami temple (S)	1,700	1.00	Sri Visweswaraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
81	..	do	Coimbatore (Rangai Gouder Street)	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswari Pudukhoddamman (F)	100	0.10	Sri Ramalinga Pudukhoddamman	do
82	..	do	Coimbatore (Raja Street)	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswari temple (F)	100	0.30	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswari	do
83	..	do	Coimbatore (Ukkadam)	Sri Varasidhi Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.10	Sri Varasidhi Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
85	..	do	Coimbatore (Vysial Street)	Sri Vasava Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	100	0.30	Sri Vasava Kannikaparameswari	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
85	..	do	do	Sri Veera Anjaneyaswami <i>alias</i> Chinnakadai Anjaneyar temple (O)	50	0.60	Sri Anjaneyaswami	do
86	..	do	Coimbatore (Rangai Gouder)	Sri Vellai Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Vellai Vinayagar	do

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

2,949	...	...	...	House	...	200	Rishabam Bandicoot Peacock Elephant Horse Swan Car	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Brahmotsavam in Chithirai	...	No
8,460	...	...	...	Houses Shops	...	3,000	Rishabam Lion	Thrice a day by a Chettiar	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	No
19,886	2.50	...	...	Houses-10 Shops	20,861	...	Horse Yali Peacock	Thrice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Thai Poosam	...	No
3,436	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
20,606	Extent not stated			Shops Houses	45,605	...	Lion Rishabam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri Navarathri	...	No
5,668	Extent not stated			...	...	150	Kedayam Sesha Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
2,812	...	...	...	Shops-4	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Chettiar	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
87	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore (Sulivan Street)	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Venugopala-swami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
88	..	do	Coimbatore (Oppanakkara Street)	Sri Venugopalakrishnaswami temple (V)	56	0.04	Sri Venugopala-krishnaswami	do
89	..	do	Coimbatore (New Market)	Sri Plague Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.05	Sri Plague Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
90	..	do	Coimbatore (Raja Street)	Sri Theppakulam Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	125	0.05	Sri Theppakulam Anjaneyar	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
91	..	do	Coimbatore (Brahmin Extension)	Sri Kothandaramaswami temple (V)	29	0.72	Sri Kothandaramar	do
92	..	do	Coimbatore (Vysial Street)	Sri Devadamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Devadamman	do
93	..	do	Coimbatore (Oppanakkara Street)	Sri Gujarathi Gopaljee temple (V)	120	0.04	Sri Gopaljee	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,381	4-00	...	...	Shops-4	...	1,000	Garuda	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachari	Gokulashtami Ekadasi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Vinayagar sevai Festival	...	No
2,976	3-47	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day	No	...	No
251	...	...	...	...	...	150	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Vellala Gounder	Mariamman Festival in Panguni	...	No
411	Extent not stated			...	...	500	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami	...	No
5,892	...	...	...	Shops	13,454	...	Chapparams-2 Bandicoot	Twice a day by a Bhattachariar	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam Sri Jayanthi Vinayaga Chathurthi Vaikunta Ekadasi Hanumantha Jayanthi Sivarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	No
4,261	...	...	...	Shops	...	100	Lion	Thrice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
11,919	...	...	...	0-10 Plots buildings	...	1,000	...	Twice a day by a Bhattachariar	Navarathri Sivarathri Janmashtami	...	Yes

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<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
94	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore (Sullivan street)	Sri Yogasana Anjaneyaswami and Brindavan temple (O)	50	0.20	Sri Yoga Anjaneyaswami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
95				Sri Raja Varadarajaswami temple (V)	100	0.15	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	
96	"	do	Coimbatore (Selvapuram)	Sri Ellaikaruppuswami temple (O)	200	0.75	Sri Ellai Karuppuswami	Coimbatore Railway station 3½ miles
97	"	do	do	Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)	250	1.50	Sri Badrakaliyamman	do
98	"	do	Coimbatore (Raja Street)	Sri Bajanai Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	50	0.06	Sri Bajanai Venkataramanaswami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
99	"	do	Coimbatore (Oppanakkara Street)	Sri Adivadu Pillayar temple (G)	90	0.04	Sri Adivadu Pillayar	Coimbatore Railway station 1½ miles
100	"	do	Coimbatore (New Market)	Sri Thandu Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.10	Sri Thandu Mariamman	do
101	"	do	Coimbatore (Edayar Street)	Sri Gurubadesi Gounder Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles
102	"	do	Coimbatore (Thiagaroya New Street)	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.10	Sri Selva Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

			Extent not stated		...	...	Garudan Chapparam Sesa	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Gokulashtami Sri Rama Navami	...	No
1,800	...	...	...	2-00	...	1,000	Garudan Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Visaka Car Festival	...	No
571	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
817	...	...	...	House-1	...	1,500	Lion Horse	Thrice a day by a Pandaram	Navarathri Kuntam	...	No
600		Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	Car Garudan Sesa Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Gokulashtami Navarathiri Sri Rama Navami	...	No
647	...	...	...	Shops-4	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a Poosari	Vinayaka Chathurthi Karthigai Deepam	...	No
2,168	...	...	...	Vacant lands	...	1,000	Lion-2	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Brahmothsavam in Adi Navarathri	...	No
380	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Bandicoot Horse	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi Vijayadasami	...	No
809	...	...	...	Houses Shops	...	...	Bandicoot	Thrice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Thaipooasam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
103	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore (Opp. Nakkara)	Sri Pattabiramaswami <i>alias</i> Kothandaramaswami Bajana temple (V)	150	0.03	Sri Pattabiramaswami	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
104	„	do	Coimbatore (Cross Cut Road)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore North Railway station 1 furlong
105	„	do	Coimbatore (South Ukkadam)	Sri Uchikaliyamman <i>alias</i> Mariamman <i>alias</i> Kamakshiamman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Uchikaliyamman	Coimbatore Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
106	„	do	Coimbatore (Thirumal Street)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles
107	„	do	Coimbatore (Sukravar)	Sri Baladhandayuthapani temple (M)	100	0.15	Sri Baladhandayuthapani	Coimbatore Railway station 3 miles
108	„	do	Coimbatore (Jail Road)	Sri Muniappar temple (O)	200	0.01	Sri Muniappar	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles
109	„	do	Coimbatore (Nadar Street)	Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)	200	2.25	Sri Badrakaliyamman	Coimbatore Railway station $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles
110	„	do	Coimbatore	Sri Muniappaswami temple (O)			Sri Muniappaswami	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
220	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Navarathri Pongal	...	No
489	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	50	...	Thrice a day by a Poosari	Vinayaga Chathurthi Sivarathri Ayudhapooja Karthigai Deepam Thaipoozam	..	No
330	...	...	...	...	...	100	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
468	...	...	...	Shops	...	100	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No
615	...	...	...	...	...	750	Peacock (Silver)	Four times a day by a Gurukkal	Skandasashti Vaikasi Visakam Karthigai Deepam Thaipoozam Sangabhishegam	...	No
358	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	Karagu Festival in Panguni	...	No
1,425	...	...	...	Houses-3 Vacant plot 0.50	...	300	Lion	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Agnikuntam Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
111	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore (Thyagi Kaimara... Street)	Sri Muniappaswami (O) and Badrakali amman temple (F)	200	0.11	Sri Muniappa-swami Sri Badrakali-amman	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles
112	..	do	Coimbatore	Sri Ratna Vinayagar temple (G)	19	0.18	Sri Ratna Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 2½ miles
113	..	do	Coimbatore (Mettupalaya)	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles
114				Sri Muthumariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
115	..	do	Coimbatore (Thoraiyur Street)	Sri Kothandaramaswami temple (V)	100	0.50	Sri Kothandaramaswami	do
116	..	do	Coimbatore (Oppanakkara Street)	Ari Mahali amman alias Mairamman temple (F)	105	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
117			Coimbatore (Kamarajapuram)	Sri Pattatharasiamman temple (F)			Sri Pattatharasiamman	
118	41	Ramanathapuram (Part)	Nanjundapuram	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	48	0.65	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Podanur Railway station 1 mile

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)			(17)	(18)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,071	...	...	...	...	...	500	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	Karaga Festival in Panguni	...	No
588	...	...	...	Shops-3	...	150	Lion Peacock Bandicoot	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi Skandasashti Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
1,677	...	...	...	Shops-3	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Poosari	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
1,183	...	...	...	...	...	No	Sesham	Twice a day by an Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Festival in Purattasi	...	No
830	...	...	...	...	...	15	Yali	Once a day by a Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	Yes
1,315	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3,299	...	...	...	...	9'10	Value not stated	Garudan Seshan	Thrice a day by a Bhattachariar	Sri Rama Navami Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadesi Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
119	43	Puliyankulam (Part)	Puliyankulam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles
120	44	Coimbatore (Rural)	Srinivasapuram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
121	46	Vadapatti	Vadapatti	Sri Kalyana Venkataramanar temple (V)	150	0.03	Sri Kalyana Venkataramanar	Coimbatore Railway station 6 miles
122	49	Kalikinayakkanpalayam	Deenam-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	85	0.15	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 9 miles
123	50	Thondamuthur (P)	Thondamuthur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	1.00	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 10 miles
124				Sri Peria Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
125	..	do	.. do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	80	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	do
126				Sri Kamakaliyamman temple (F)			Sri Kamakaliyamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
5,779	1.16	...	...	0.40	...	625	Ratham Lion Horses	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi Sivarathri Karthigai Thaipooam Navarathri Devendran Festival Brahmothsavam in Panguni	...	No
1,455	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
384	...	...	...	14.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
500	...	10.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
2,934	...	18.00	...	...	...	50	Car Lion Elephant Vimanam Swan	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
429	...	5.25	...	...	...	100	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Mudaliar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
127	51	Thannama-nallur	Sada Sundan-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
128	..	do	Thannama-nallur	Sri Kariakali- amman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Kariakali- amman	do
129	52	Devaroya-puram	Devaroya-puram	Sri Venkateswara- swami temple (V)	500	0.02	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 11 miles
130	54	Narasipuram	Velliamalai-patnam	Sri Sundara Perumal temple (V)	35	0.30	Sri Sundara Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 15 miles
131	55	Ikkikarai Baluvampatti	Ikkikarai Baluvampatti	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	11	0.50	Sri Angalamman	Coimbatore Railway station 14 miles
132	..	do	do	Sri Mahali- amman temple (F)	80	Not stated	Sri Mahali- amman	do
133	..	do	Poondi	Sri Velliangiri Andavar temple (M)	Not known	1.00	Sri Velliangiri Andavar	Coimbatore Railway station
134	58	Puluvapatti	Kaliagounden-palayam	Sri Vinayagamurthi temple (G)	30	0.03	Sri Ganesa- murthi	Coimbatore Railway station 13 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,717	4.00	...	...	Garden 3.63	...	...	...	Daily Pooja by a Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
300	8.00	...	...	...	...	200	...	Thrice a day by a Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No
1,454	...	...	13.82	...	...	...	Garudan Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Purattasi Saturday Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
700	...	15.49	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	Purattasi Saturday Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
900	11.50	...	...	...	...	100	Swan	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri Kuntam Festival	...	No
385	...	4.60	...	Garden 0.86	...	Value not stated	Chapparams-2	Daily poojas by a Velalar	Navarathri Annual festival in Chithirai or Vaikasi	...	No
36,358	...	...	...	10.10 Choultry Shops	...	1,000	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
313	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
135	58	Puluvapatti	Kaliaroundan palayam	Sri Venugopalaswamy temple (V)	20	0.10	Sri Venugopala- swami	do
136	„	do	Mol. palapam	Sri Appichiwaraswami temple (O)	150	0.01	Sri Appichiwaraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 14 miles
137				Sri Veeranachiamman temple (F)	150	0.01	Sri Veeranachiamman	
138				Sri Rakkiamman temple (F)	150	0.01	Sri Rakkiamman	
139				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Mariamman	do
140	„	do	Nathagounden- puthur	Sri Maruthachalamurthy temple (O)	22	0.06	Sri Marudachalamurthy	Coimbatore Railway station 15 miles
141	„	do	Puluvapatti	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	50	0.12	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 11 miles
142	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	do
143	„	do	Ramanathapuram	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
144				Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)		0.05	Sri Karia Perumal	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

10,034	Extent	not stated	...	...	3,000	Garudan	Once a day by a Bhatta	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami	...	No	
300	...	4:30	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No	
...	...	4:00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No	
280	3:00	...	...	Trees-8	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	Thai Poosam Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
622	...	8:12	...	...	...	25	Chapparam	Twice a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
240	...	4:50	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
749	...	7:00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
145	58	Pulvapatti	Srinivasapuram	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.03	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
146				Sri Palaniandavar temple (M)	50	0.03	Sri Palaniandavar	
147				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.03	Sri Mariamman	
148				Sri Kaliamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Makaliamman	
149	59	Madampatti	Kuppanoor	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	120	0.06	Sri Selva Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 10 miles
150	„	do	Madampatti	Sri Kari Varadharaja Perumal temple (V)	25	0.02	Sri Karivaradharaja Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 8 miles
151	61	Perur	Perur	Sri Patteswarar (S)	2,100	2.07	Sri Patteswaraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 4½ miles
152	„	do	do	Sri Veerabhadraswami temple (O)	150	0.13	Sri Veerabhadraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 5 miles
153	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	500	0.10	Sri Angalamman	Coimbatore Railway station 4 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,298	...	6'00	...	2'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
8,703	11'00	16'00	...	..	...	...	Horse Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
210	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
95,506	Extent not stated			Building	1,32,950	...	Cars-5 Palanquins-2	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Brahmothsavam ... in Panguni Thiruvathirai	...	Yes
346	...	13'14	...	...	...	250	...	Thrice a day by a Veera Saivar	No	...	Yes
416	...	13'00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
154	63	Kaniamuthur	Kaniamuthur	Sri Aramvalarthamman temple (F)	300	0.02	Sri Aramvalarthamman	Coimbatore Railway station 3 miles
155				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.01	Sri Mariamman	
156				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	
157	..	do	do	Sri Dharmarajaswami temple (O)	300	0.15	Sri Dharmarajaswami	do
158	..	do	Ramachetti-palayam	Sri Parameswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.66	Sri Parameswaraswami	Coimbatore Railway station 5½ miles
159	64	Kurichi (P)	Kurichi	Sri Kalyana Venkatramanaswami temple (V)	300	0.10	Sri Kalyanavenkataramanaswami	Podanur Railway station 3 miles
160	89	do	do	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	300	0.05	Sri Pongaliamman	do
161				Sri Karpaga Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.05	Sri Karpaga Vinayagar	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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720	1'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari		...	No
300	1'00	5'46	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Kuntam	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	Garden 13'00	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Naicker	Sivarathri Navarathri	...	No
989	6'00	19'00	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Tamil New Years Day Sri Jayanthi Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
593	5'10	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Masi Sivarathri Telugu New Year's Day	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
162	64	Kurichi (P)	Kurichi	Sri Villeswaraswami temple (M)	300	0.15	Sri Subramaniam	Podanur Railway station 3 miles
163	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Kurichi Railway station 1 mile
164	65	Vellalur (P)	Vellalur	Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	Not Known	0.05	Sri Dharmarajar	Podanur Railway station 3 miles
165	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not Known	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
166	„	do	do	Sri Thecnswara temple (S)	750	0.25	Sri Thecnswara-swami	do
167	„	do	do	Sri Pochiamman temple (F)	750	0.74	Sri Pochiamman	do
168				Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	750	0.10	Sri Alaganachiamman	
169	66	Orathukuppai	Orathukuppai	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Selva Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 11 miles
170				Sri Uthandarayar temple (O)	100	0.05	Sri Uthandarayar	



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam.			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,189	9'00	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by an Arudi	Tamil New Year's Day Sivarathri Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
241	1'00	...	...	...	...	100	...	Once a day by a Poosari	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
200	...	...	...	2'00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pillai	Kuntam in Panguni	...	No
329	Extent not stated			...	...	...	Garuda	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	No	141 of 1910	...
625	4'00	4'00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	142-149 of 1910	...
630	...	10'02	...	...	...	...	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	Yes
350	...	10'00	...	...	...	50	Chapparam Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
	...	20'00	...	...	...	...		Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari			

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<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
171	67	Chetti-palayam	Chetti-palayam	Sri Kanniamman temple (F)	100	0.15	Sri Kanniamman	Chettipalayam Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
172				Sri Karuppuswami temple (O)			Sri Karuppuswami	
173	„	do	do	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)			Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	do
174				Sri Visalakshi temple (F)	125	0.25	Sri Visalakshiamman	
175				Sri Nallavinayagar temple (G)			Sri Nallavinayagar	
176	70	Madukkarai (N.P.)	Madukkarai	Sri Vanjamman temple (F)	Not known	0.01	Sri Vanjamman	Madukkarai Railway station 2 Furlongs
177	75	Jagirpalathurai	Palathurai Mandakurai	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	170	0.09	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Madukkarai Railway station 2 miles
178	75	Palathurai	Palathurai	Sri Alaganachiammen temple (F)	180	0.13	Sri Alaganachiamman	Madukkarai Railway station 2 miles
179	80	Arisipalayam	Athipalayam	Sri Renuga Devi temple (F)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Renuga Devi	Coimbatore Railway station 14 miles

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others							
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

962	...	...	7.35	...	...	162	Chapparam Horse-1	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri	...	No
1,408	...	...	...	Groves	...	62	Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Surasamharam Mahasivarathri Thiruvathirai	...	No
400	...	35.81	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Poosari	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
360	...	22.92	...	...	...	...	...	Daily pooja by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
600	Extent not stated			..	...	Value not stated	...	Daily poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam Adi 18th day Pongal	...	Yes
390	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No

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<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
180	81	Othakal-mandapam	Othakal-mandapam	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	300	0.10	Sri Angalamman	Chettipalayam Railway station 3 miles
181	„	do	do	Sri Kondathu Kaliamman temple (F)	750	1.30	Sri Kondathu Kaliamman	Chettipalayam Railway station 2 miles
182	„	do	Othakal Mandapam (Okkilipalayam)	Sri Navakodi Narayana Perumal temple (V)	750	1.00	Sri Navakodi Narayana Perumal	Chettipalayam Railway station 3 miles
183	„	do	do	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	800	0.50	Sri Vinayagar	do
184				Sri Veereswaraswami temple (S)			Sri Veereswaraswami	
185	„	do	do	Sri Putridamkonda Easwarar temple (S)	750	0.30	Sri Putridamkonda Easwarar	do

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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

450	...	32.00	...	...	...	...	Lions-2	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Adi 18th day Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri Deepavali Tengudi New Year's day	...	No
778	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
2,975	...	...	...	30.38	...	...	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	Yes
850	...	...	26.60	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	Yes
1,200	...	...	...	31.35	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

## COIMBATORE

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	9	Koilpalayam	Koilpalayam (Sri Kariya Kali- amman temple (F))	Sri Kariya Kali- amman temple (F)	Not known	0.60	Sri Kariya Kali- amman	Coimbatore Railway station 12 miles
2	21	Saravaliampatti	Kutupalayam Road	Sri Venkateswara- swami temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Venkateswa- raswami	Coimbatore Railway station 7 miles
3	30	Krishnaraya- puram	Krishnaraya- palayam	Sri Srinivasa Perumal temple (V)	47	1.12	Sri Srinivasa Perumal	Coimbatore Railway station 2 miles
4	40	Coimbatore (M)	Coimbatore (Vysial St.)	Sri Vellai Vinayagar temple (G)	75	0.03	Sri Vellai Vinaya- gar	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile
5	"	do	Coimbatore (Edayar St.)	Sri Kooppidu Vina- yagar temple (G)	200	0.05	Sri Kooppidu Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 1½ miles
6	"	do	Coimbatore (Rangai Goun- der St.)	Sri Chinna Vedam- patti Ellaisandhu Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	do
7	44	Coimbatore (Rural)	Srinivasapuram	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Coimbatore Railway station 1 mile

## TALUK (Concl'd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

300	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Lion	Once a day by a Gounder	No	658-659 of 1922	...
...	...	7'00	...	...	...	100	Garuda	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Saturday	...	No
...	...	...	...	Shops	...	3,000	Horse Garuda Sesham Palanquin	Four times a day by a hereditary Archagar	Navarathri Deepavali Pongal Sri Rama Navami Sri Jayanthi Karthigai Deepam	...	No
500	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	Bandicoot	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi Navarathiri	...	No
...	...	...	...	Vacant plots used as market	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Chettiar	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No

## POLLACHI TALUK

### 27. SOOLAKKAL

#### Sri Mariamman temple

The road to Soolakkal branches towards the north-west at the first mile from Pollachi on Pollachi-Coimbatore Road. It lies at a distance of about six miles from Pollachi and two miles from Koilpalayam, the nearest railway station. It is well connected by bus from all directions. The frequency of the trips is increased on Tuesdays and Fridays to cope up with the increased crowd visiting the Mariamman temple.

The image of the presiding deity is a Swayambu facing north and was noticed three hundred years back. At the first instance there was only a thatched roof without door or any other protection. Taking advantage of this, three persons attempted to run off with the temple vessels, but on their way became blind. A local man had a vision of this attempt in his dream and was directed to help them to restore their sight by sprinkling the holy water of the temple (தீர்த்தம்). From then onwards, there is great faith in the efficacy of the temple to cure eye diseases.

Besides Garbhagraham, there is Ardhmandapam, Mahamandapam and a Chavadi.

Poojas are performed twice a day by a non-Brahmin priest. Pilgrimage is on Tuesdays and Fridays when nearly 1,000 persons visit mainly from Palghat and Trichur districts of Kerala State and other parts of this district. The chief annual festival is the car festival in the month of May-June attended by a crowd of nearly 20,000 persons. The temple is managed by a Board of three trustees assisted by an Executive Officer.

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#### Sri Subramanya Swami and Sri Mariamman temple

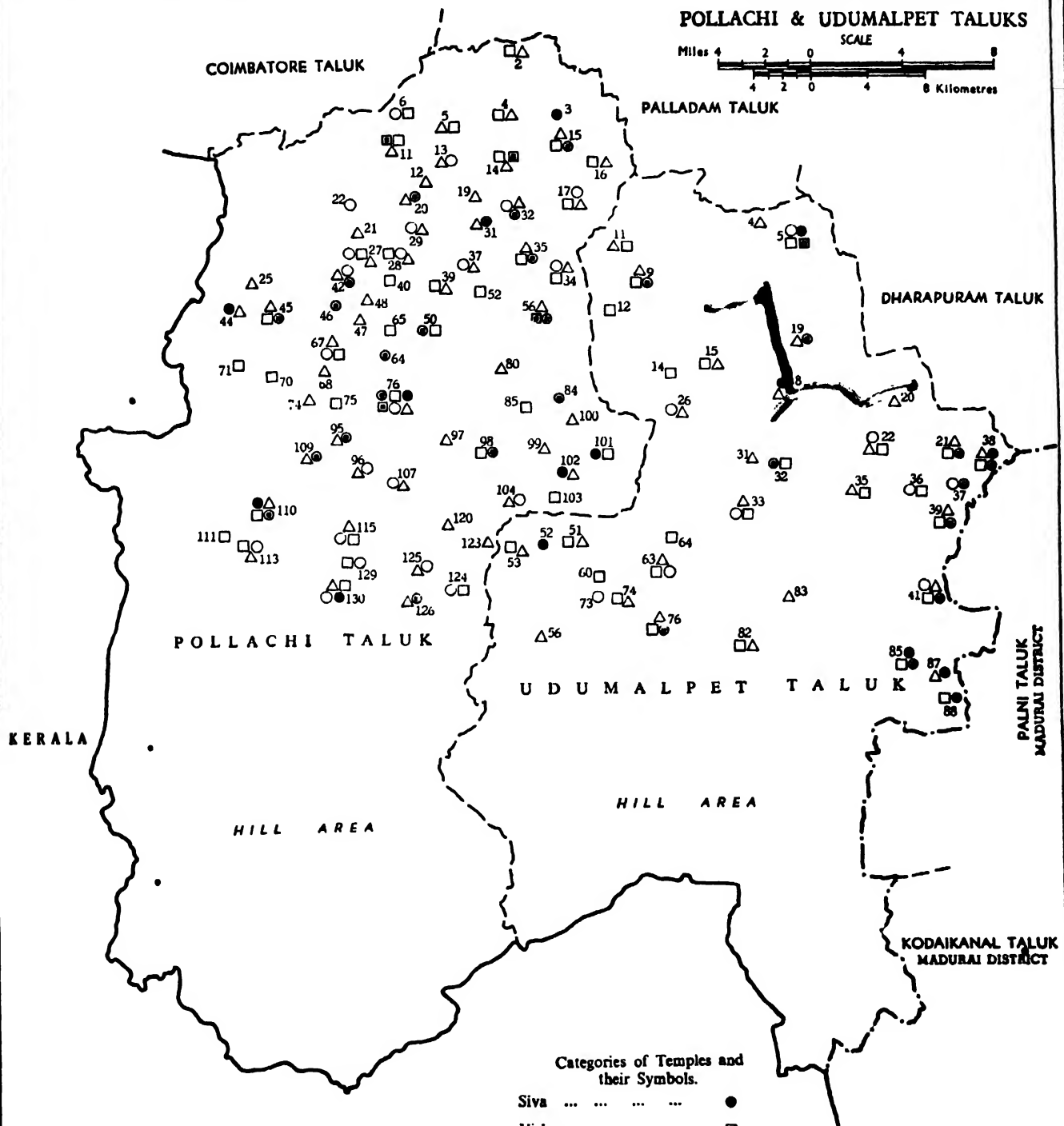
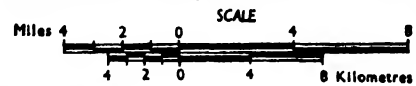
Pollachi is one of the leading towns of Coimbatore district with a population of 54,369. Next to Coimba-

tore and Erode, this is the densely populated place of Coimbatore district, the density being slightly more than 10,000 persons per square mile. Till three centuries back, this place was known as (இறைச்சில் பொழில் வாய்ச்சி) Iraichchil Pozhil Vaychchi. Prior to that, when the Chola King Kulothunga III captured it, he named it as (முடிக்கொண்ட சோழ நல்லூர்) Mudi-konda Chozha Nallur which name did not last long. A temple dedicated to goddees Mariamman and another one dedicated to Lord Subramanya are the two important temples of this busy commercial centre. This place is well connected by road and rail. Both the temples are centrally located.

There is no certainty about the origin of Sri Subramaniaswami temple. But there is a claim that in former days it was dedicated to Lord Shiva and the presiding deity was known as (அகத்தீச்சுவரம் உடையார்) Agatheeswaram Udayar. Then Murugar seemed to be a festival deity. At present Murugar is the presiding deity. 750 years back one Sundara Pandia Deva had done large scale renovation. Subsequent renovations were made by public donations. The temple does not have big gopuram or pagoda, but has some fine and excellent stone carvings in the Maha Mantapam, which was constructed in or about 1926 adjacent to the ancient temple. Such stone carvings include five-hooded serpent, stone chain from yali's mouth, lizard, guana (பெருங்கு) இராசி மண்டலம் (Zodiacal sign) etc. This is a tribute to the quality of stone carving found in Coimbatore District. Another good sample is the stone work at Thandu Mariamman temple of Pariyur in Gopichettipalayam taluk. Images of Sundareswarar and Meenakshiamman have been installed in this newly constructed portion of the temple. The temple has only one prakaram. Daily two poojas are performed by a Brahmin. The temple has one palanquin and three vahanams. Arudhra Dharisanam in the month of மார்ச்சு (November-December) and Sura Samharam in October-November are the important festivals. Car festival in the month of சை (January-February) was stopped 21 years back on a dispute over the ownership of the temple. The temple is managed by a single hereditary trustee.



MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN  
POLLACHI & UDUMALPET TALUKS



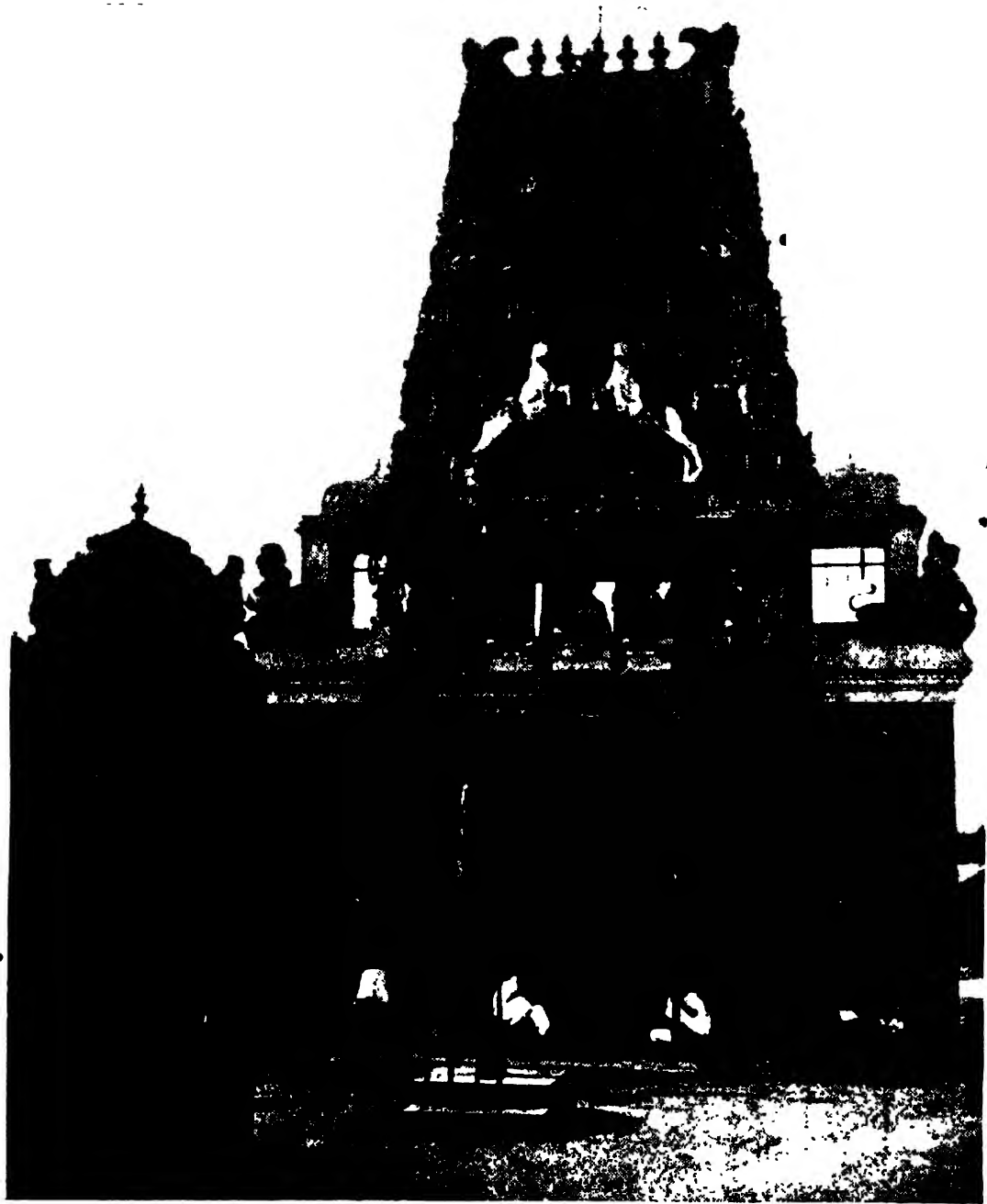
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Ganapathi ... ..	○
Amman ... ..	△
Others ... ..	●
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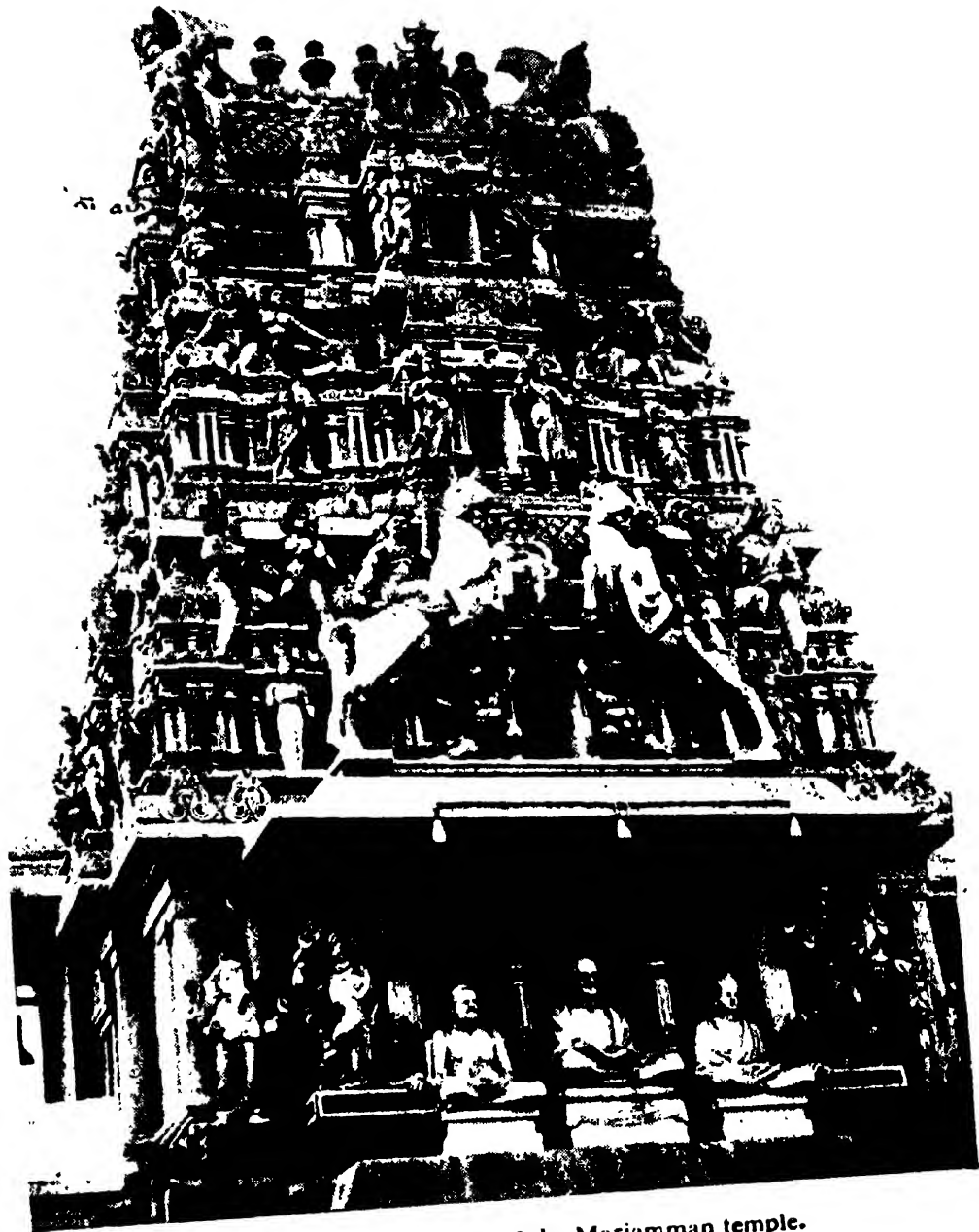
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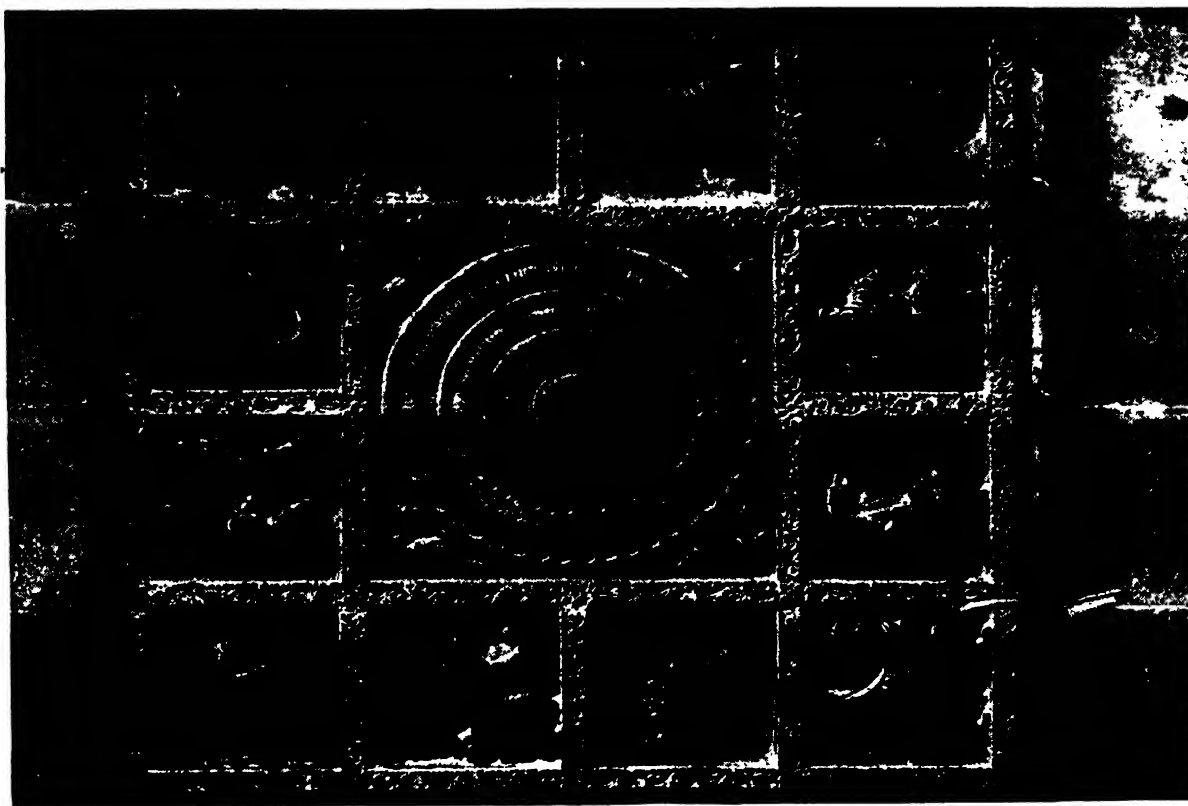




Entrance to the Sri Mariamman temple, Pollachi.

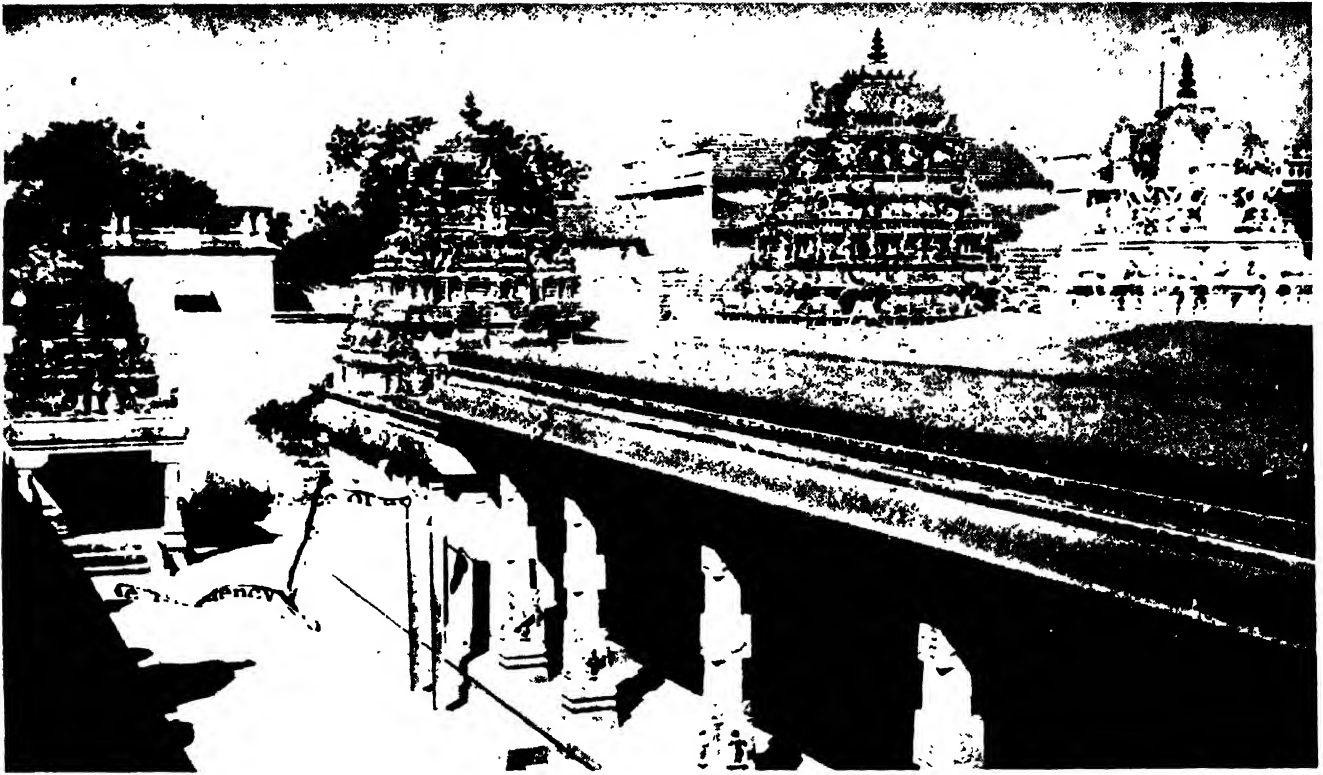


A view of the gopuram of the Mariamman temple.



Two attractive sculptures on stone in the roof of Subrahmanyaswami temple, Pollachi.





A view of the Subrahmaniaswami temple, Pollachi.



A sculpture on stone in the temple at Pollachi.

Mariamman temple is also an ancient one with a village goddess as presiding deity in sitting posture. It occupies a space of 20 cents and has grown important along with the growth of the town. The temple has a gopuram or pagoda at the entrance, which has deviated from orthodox form in details. Gandhiji's image also finds a place in the gopuram. This was

done during renovation in 1953 made by Sri P. Nachimuthu Gounder. Poojas are performed thrice a day by a non-Brahmin priest. Firewalking and car festival in the month of *മാർ* (February-March) is the chief annual festival lasting for twentytwo days. The temple is managed by a single trustee, Sri N. Mahalinga Gounder.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
1	2	Panapatti (V) (P)	Panapatti	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Kalamman	Chettiyalayam Railway station 8 miles
2	3	Mettubavi (V)	Mettubavi	Sri Uthandaroyar temple (O)	200	0.01	Sri Uthandaroyar	Kinathukadavu Railway station 7½ miles
3	4	Vadachithur (V)	Vadachithur	Sri Kalamman or Sri Kandiamman temple (F)	125	Not stated	Sri Kandiamman	do
4	..	do	do	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	0.87	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	do
5	..	do	do	Sri Solaiamman temple (F)	125		Sri Solaiamman	do
6	5	Kondampatti (V)	Kondampatti	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	75	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Kinathukadavu Railway station 2½ miles
7	..	do	do	Sri Pidariamman temple (F)		0.04	Sri Pidariamman	do
8				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Mariamman	
9				Sri Mahali- amman temple (F)		0.02	Sri Mahali- amman	
10	6	Solavampalayam (V)	Solavampalayam	Sri Sethu Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.01	Sri Sethu Perumal	Kinathukadavu Railway station ¼ mile



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
375	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
289	...	10.54	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
00	...	37.51	...	...	...	100	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,133	...	28.70	...	...	...	50	Garuda Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri	...	No
400	...	36.72	...	...	...	25	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
400	...	Extent not stated				...	...	Poojas performed by a Poosari	No	...	No
1,068	...	Extent not stated				Value not stated	...	Twice a week by a Poosari	Karthigai Deepam Adi 18th Day Tamil New Year's Day	...	No
400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Poosari	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
11	6	Salavampalayam (V)	Salavampalayam	Sri Adi Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0·01	Sri Adi Vinayagar	Kinathukadavu Railway station 5 Furlongs
12	11	Kinathukadavu (V)	Bagavathipalayam	Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	250	0·01	Sri Bagavathiamman	Kinathukadavu Railway Station 2½ miles
13	..	do	Kinathukadavu	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	300	0·02	Sri Angalamman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 1 Furlong
	..	do	do	Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)	300	Below 0·01	Sri Kariakaliyamman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 1 mile
	..	do	do	Sri Ponmalai Andavar (Velayudhaswami) temple (F)	200	0·75	Sri Ponmalai Velayudhaswami	Kinathukadavu Railway station ¾ mile
14	..	do	Singarayapalayam	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	185	Below 0·01	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	Nallathipalayam Railway station 2 miles
15	12	Kodangipalayam	Devaradipalayam	Sri Mahalakshmi amman temple (F)	150	Not stated	Sri Mahalakshmi amman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 2 miles
16	13	Kothavadi (V)	Kothavadi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	40	0·07	Sri Mariamman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 3 miles
				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist						
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple						(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

250	...	6.09	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gounder	...	...	No
675	...	15.63	...	...	...	...	...	Daily poojas by a Pandaram	...	...	No
700	...	5.10	...	20.00	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
450	...	16.84	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,391	...	91.73	...	...	...	330	Ratham	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Rathotsavam in Thar Mahasivarathri Navarathri Soora Samharam	...	No
250	...	8.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Masi Magham Karthigai Deepam Sri Rama Navami Gokulashtami Adi 18th day	...	No
985	...	...	10.88	House-1	...	80.50	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
450	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Vaikasi	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
18	14	Kurunalli-palayam (V)	Kurunalli-palayam	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	500	0.10	Sri Subramaniam	Kinathukadavu Railway station 6 miles
19				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.20	Sri Mariamman	
20				Sri Seetharamam temple (V)	200	0.02	Sri Seetharamam	
21	15	Periakalandai (V)	Periakalandai	Sri Adeswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	0.25	Sri Adeswaraswami	Kinathukadavu Railway station 8 miles
22	..	do	do	Sri Vanjamman temple (F)	50	0.02	Sri Vanjamman	do
23	..	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
24	16	Kattampatti (V)	Kattampatti	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	70	0.07	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Kinathukadavu Railway station 10 miles
25	16	Kattampatti (V)	Kattampatti	Sri Vanjamman temple (F)	50	0.05	Sri Vanjamman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 10 miles
26	17	Sirukalandai (V)	Settikalpalam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Pollachi Railway station 8 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)				(16)	(17)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

...	14.94	...	...	}	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a day by a Pandaram	...	No	...	No
499	6.42	...	...								
...	5.00	...	...								
4,000	148.75	...	...	...	1,000	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthiga Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri	175 of 1927	...	...
608	16.80	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	177 of 1927	...	...
225	23.74	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No	...
500	19.09	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Konar	No	...	No	...
200	6.32	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No	...
450	13.93	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
27	17	Sirukalandai (V)	Sirukalandai	Sri Adi Perumal temple (V)	450	0.15	Sri Adi Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 12 miles
28	„	do	do	Sri Karamadai Ranganadhar temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Ranganadhar	Pollachi Railway station 13 miles
29	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.16	Sri Mariamman	do
30	19	Chettikka-palayam (V)	Chettikka-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station 10 miles
31	21	Devaraya-puram (V)	Velayuthan-palayam	Sri Pattatharasiamman temple (G)	200	0.02	Sri Pattatharasiamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 4 miles
32	22	Govindapuram (V)	Govindapuram	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.06	Sri Vinayagar	Kinathukadavu Railway station 3 miles
33	25	Servakaram-palayam (V)	Servakaram-palayam	Sri Mathangiamman temple (F)	100	0.06	Sri Mathangiamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles
34	27	Sulakkal (V)	Narayana-chettipalayam	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Kovilpalayam Railway station 3½ miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

615	...	39.84	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Gokulashtami Navaratri	...	No
623	...	...	...	22.00	...	...	...	Daily pooja by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Sivarathri	...	No
518	...	22.65	...	...	...	85	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	No
425	...	14.15	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
731	...	10.76	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
363	...	...	...	26.87	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,259	...	...	...	36.40	...	Value not stated	...	Poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No
400	...	...	...	8.35	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
35	27	Sulakkal	Sulakkal	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.75	Sri Mariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 2 miles
36				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
37	28	Mettupalayam (V)	Kovilpalayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Kovilpalayam Railway station 1 mile
38	28	Mettupalayam (V)	Kovilpalayam	Sri Kakkadraya Perumal temple (V)	35	0.04	Sri Kothandaroaya Perumal (Ramar)	Kovilpalayam Railway station 1 mile
39	„	do	Madargounder palayam	Sri Kondathu Kali- amman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Kondathu Kalamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 2 miles
40	29	Mullipadi (V)	Mullipadi	Sri Sowdamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Sowdamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 1½ miles
41	„	do	do	Sri Mahali amman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Mahali amman	do
42	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	do
43	31	Devanampalaya- am (V)	Devanampalaya- am	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	1.50	Sri Mariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 4½ miles
44	32	Kappalangerai (V)	Kappalankarai	Sri Koppanachi or Madalainachi amman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Koppanachi amman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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10,578	...	...	...	16'06	14,953	...	Car Lion Elephant	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual car Festival Nothri Chiruvatturai	...	No
969	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	...	Daily poojas by a Pandaram	No	..	No
2,400	...	...	...	15'00	...	400	Garudan	Thrice a day by a hereditary Naicker	Annual Festival in Thai	...	No
700	...	...	...	10'00	...	50	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
300	...	...	...	5'50	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Aypasi	...	No
250	...	...	...	2'00	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Aypasi	...	No
300	...	...	...	4'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
15,084	...	7'11	...	...	...	997 50	Car Chapparam Horse Lion	Daily poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual car Festival in Masi Deepavali	...	No
600	...	...	...	16'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Asari	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
45	32	Kappalankarai	Kappalankarai	Sri Mahalakshmi amman temple (F)	200	0.04	Sri Mahalakshmi amman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles
46	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Mariamman	do
47	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	do
48	„	do	do	Sri Paramasivan temple (S)	40	0.20	Sri Paramasivan	do
49	„	do	do	Sri Vanjamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Vanjamman	do
50	34	Chinna Negamam	Chinna Negamam	Sri Selvachenroya Perumal temple (V)	300	0.05	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Kovilpalayam Railway station 7 miles
51	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
52	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.02	Sri Mariamman	do
53	„	do	do	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	300	0.02	Sri Vigneswarar	do
54	35	Perianagamam (P)	Perianagamam	Sri Badrakali amman temple (F)	300	0.10	Sri Badrakali amman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.			Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reper- ted by temple	Ref. for deciphered ones				Non-deciphered but reported to exist	
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)												
397	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	...	Daily poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No	
	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	...	Daily poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No	
400	...	...	...	8'00	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No	
240	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Daily pooja by a hereditary Gounder	Sivarathri Adi 18th Day Panguni Uthiram	...	No	
540	...	...	...	10'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No	
	...	...	...	86'83	...	...	Ratham Palanquin	Twice a week by a hereditary Naidu	Navarathri	...	Yes	
680	...	...	...	5'63	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Naidu	Navarathri	...	No	
	...	...	...	24'62	...	...	Palanquin	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Ayppasi	...	No	
700	...	...	...	12'67	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No	
540	...	...	...	12'95	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	Yes	

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
55	35	Perianagmam (P)	Perianagmam	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	60	0.13	Sri Kamakshiamman	Pollachi Railway station 9 miles
56	..	do	do	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	200	0.05	Sri Kannikaparameswariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles
57	..	do	do	Sri Kathavaroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Kathavaroya Perumal	Kovilpalayam Railway station 12 miles
58	..	do	do	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswari temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Ramalingachowdeeswariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles
59	..	do	do	Sri Nitheeswaraswami temple (S)	300	0.05	Sri Nitheeswaraswami	do
60	..	do	Ramalingampudur	Sri Kannimar temple (F)	300	0.01	Sri Kannimar	do
61	37	Kakkadavu (V)	Kakkadavu	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	100	0.04	Sri Vigneswarar	Kovilpalayam Railway station 3 miles
62	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 3 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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706 *	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Lion Peacock Garudan	Thrice a day by a Guruswami	Navarathri	...	No
4 612	...	14'06	...	...	...	...	Chapparam Garudan	Daily poojas by a Brahmin	Navarathri Sivarathri	...	No
2 500	...	50'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
271	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Palanquin	Daily poojas by a hereditary Chettiar	Navarathri	...	No
200	...	...	...	27'72	...	...	Palanquin	Daily poojas by a hereditary Brahmin	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	...	...	...	8'21	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	No	—	No
200	...	3'04	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
371	...	...	...	9'32	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
63	39	Sholanur (V)	Sholanur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 2 miles
64				Sri Kaliamman temple (F)			Sri Kaliamman	
65	..	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 15 miles
66	40	Sandaigoundanpalayam (V)	Sandaigoundanpalayam	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.10	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Kovilpalayam Railway station
67	42	Vadakkipalayam (V)	Vadakkipalayam	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	300	0.15	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	Kovilpalayam Railway station 3 miles
68	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	Not stated	Sri Vinayagar	do
69	..	do	do	Sri Vadakkalur amman temple (F)	300	0.20	Sri Vadakkalur	do
70	44	Ramapatnam (P)	Jalathur	Sri Ayyan temple (O)	100	0.05	Sri Ayyan	Pollachi Railway station 6 miles
71	45	Devambadi (P)	Devambadi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station 8 miles
72	..	do	do	Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	150	0.02	Sri Bagavathiamman	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple									
			Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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540	...	9.90	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	Yes
300	...	15.64	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
540	...	27.18	...	...	...	...	Garuda	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No
1,790	...	52.80	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
712	...	12.62	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
500	...	63.40	...	1.25	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,800	...	20.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
2,000	...	10.15	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
	...	6.21	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
73	45	Devambadi (P)	Devambadi	Sri Venkataramana-swami temple (V)	100	0.14	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Pollachi Railway station 6 miles
74	..	do	do	Sri Ammaneswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.96	Sri Ammaneswaraswami	do
75	46	Poosanaicken-dhalli (V)	Poosanaicken-dhalli	Sri Madheeswaraswami temple (S)	100	Not stated	Sri Madheeswaraswami	Pollachi Railway station 4 miles
76	47	Chukkanayapuram (V)	Gopalapuram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station 10 miles
77	48	Kabilipalayam (V)	Kabilipalayam	Sri Poongaliamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Poongaliamman	Pollachi Railway station 4 miles
78	50	Kurumbapalayam	Kurumbapalayam	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.11	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 4½ miles
79	..	do	do	Sri Ammaneswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Ammaneswaraswami	do
80	52	Varadanur (V)	Varadanur (V)	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.26	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Kovilpalayam Railway station 4 miles
81	56	Avalappampatti (V)	Avalappampatti	Sri Avinashilingeswarar temple (S)	150	0.05	Sri Avinashilingeswarar	Gomangalam Railway station 8 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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3,788	...	18.02	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
...	...	5.34	...	...	...	...	...	Once day a by a Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
860	...	...	...	14.63	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Lingayath	No	...	No
660	...	10.78	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
810	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pillai	No	...	No
450	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
755	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam Arudra Dharisanam	...	No
600	...	...	...	18.00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
1,450	...	...	...	30.00	...	...	...	Not stated	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
82	56	Avalappam patti (V)	Avalappam-	Sri Karapadiamman temple (F)	150	0.25	Sri Karapadi- amman	do
83				Sri Sundaramman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Sundaramman	
84	„	do	do	Sri Athalamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Athalamman	
85	64	Sangampala-yam (V)	Sangampala-yam	Sri Ammaneswar-swami temple (S)	150	0.02	Sri Ammanes-warar	Pollachi Railway station 9 miles
86	65	Achipatti (V)	Achipatti	Sri Kalyanavenkata Ramanaswami temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Kalyana-venkataramana swami	Pollachi Railway station 5 miles
87	67	Thalakkurai	Thalakkurai	Sri Vadugapalayam Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vadugampala-yam Vinayagar	Pollachi Railway station 3 miles
88	„	do	Vadugopala-yam	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	40	0.16	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
89	67	do	Thalakkurai	Sri Thalakkurai amman temple (F)	150	0.02	Sri Thalakkurai amman	do
90	70	Nallathukuli (P)	Nallathukuli	Sri Ramar temple (V)	20	0.05	Sri Ramar	Pollachi Railway station 6 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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285	...	...	...	70'00	...	Value not stated	Ratham	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	21'92	...	...	...	Not stated	No	...	No
700	...	13'24	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
2'0	...	...	...	20'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
700	...	9'15	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
700	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	Value not stated	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Rama Navami Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
2,250	...	17'68	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
1,015	...	4'80	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Gokulashtami	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
91	71	Kumarapalayam (V)	Kumarapalayam	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	0.05	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 8 miles
92	74	Boḷur Jayaraj (V)	Boḷur Jayaraj odipalayam	Sri Nachimaraswami temple (O)	100	0.01	Sri Nachimaraswami	Pollachi Railway station 5 miles
93	76	Pollachi (M)	Kottampatti	Sri Uthandaroyar temple (O)	200	0.02	Sri Uthandaroyar	Pollachi Railway station 1½ miles
94	75	Pollachi (M)	Pollachi	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	750	Not stated	Sri Subramaniaswami	Pollachi Railway station ¾ mile
95	76	Pollachi (M)	Pollachi	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	50	1.00	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Pollachi Railway station 1½ miles
96	„	do	do	Sri Mahaliyamman temple (F)	60	0.25	Sri Mahaliyamman	Pollachi Railway station ¾ mile
97	„	do	do	Sri Seetharama Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	100	0.10	Sri Seetharama Anjaneyar	Pollachi Railway station 1 mile
98	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	do
99	„	do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Alaganachiamman	Pollachi Railway station

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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540 •	...	23.05	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	—	No
600	...	3.72	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari		...	No
300	...	...	...	10.54	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
5,205	...	...	...	98.00	6,644	...	Elephant Peacock Palanquin Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vinayaga-Chathurthi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	185 of 1927 & 441-443 of 1929	...
8,737 •	...	...	...	Shops Vacant Lands	...	Value not stated	Lion Rishabam Horse	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Navarathri	...	No
983	...	...	...	Buildings Shops	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a day by an Archagar	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
3,079	...	...	...	4.00	8,838	...	Ratham	Twice a day by an Archagar	Navarathri	...	No
688	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
417	Extent not stated			...	...	Value not stated	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
100	76	Pollachi (M)	Pollachi	Sri Ramalingachow-deeswariamman temple (F)	25	0.10	Sri Ramalinga-chowdeeswari amman	Pollachi Railway station 1 mile
101	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station ¾ mile
102	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	500	0.01	Sri Angalamman	Pollachi Railway station 1½ miles
103	„	do	do	Sri Vishnu Bajanai temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 1 mile
104	„	do	Thottikattampatty	Sri Ammaneeswara-swamy temple (S)	300	0.20	Sri Ammaneeswara-swamy	Pollachi Railway station 1½ miles
105				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
106	80	Eripatti (P)	Eripatti	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	250	0.50	Sri Angalaparameswari amman	Tippampatti Railway station 3 miles
107	84	Seelakkampatty	Seelakkampatty	Sri Kandeaswara-swami temple (S)	70	0.02	Sri Kandeaswara-swami	Gomangalam Railway station 2½ miles
108	85	Nallampatty	Nallampatty	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Thippampatti Railway station
109				Sri Karathukrishna-swami temple (V)			Sri Krishnan	

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical sites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy							
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist						
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple						(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)

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775	...	...	...	Houses	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Poosari	Navarathri	...	No
6,215	...	16'00	...	...	...	1,500	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Festival Navarathri	...	No
610	...	9'00	...	...	...	...	Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No
457	...	...	...	House Shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
2,386	...	11'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,162	...	27'00	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri	...	No
450	...	...	...	13'00	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	29'34	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Gokulashtami Annual Festival in Marazhi	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
110	86	Thippampatti (V)	Thippampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0-25	Sri Mariamman	Thippampatti Railway station 1½ miles
111	„	do	do	Sri Ammaneeswaraswami temple (V)	100	0-10	Sri Ammaneeswaraswami	do
112	93	Marichinaickenpalayam	Marichinaickenpalayam	Sri Pirathi alias Pidari- amman temple (F)	100	0-01	Sri Pidariamman	Anamalai Road Railway station
113	„	do	do	Sri Prasanna Vinaya- gar temple (G)	200	0-30	Sri Prasanna Vinayagar	do
114	95	Naickenpalayam	Naickenpalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0-10	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station 3 miles
115	„	do	do	Sri Ammaneeswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	0-06	Sri Ammaneeswaraswami	do
116	96	Z. Mottanpatti	Kottampatti	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	100	0-03	Sri Vinayagar	Pollachi Railway station 5 miles
117	„	do	do	Sri Chillandi Kondi- amman temple (F)	100	0-03	Sri Kondiamman	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
500	...	22.40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
1 500	...	16.04	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
750	...	8.35	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,200	...	27.98	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
400	...	...	...	7.15	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
825	...	...	...	13.03	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
540	...	10.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	12.11	...	...	...	...	...				

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
117	96	Z. Mottan-patty	Rangasamud-	Sri Pattatharasi-amman temple (F)	200	0.05	Sri Pattatharasi-amman	Pollachi Railway station 4 miles
118	97	Nattukai-palayam (P)	Nattukalpalam	Sri Angalamman temple (M)	100	0.30	Sri Angalamman	Tippampatti Railway station 1½ miles
119	98	Kanjampatti (P)	Kanjampatti	Sri Perumal temple (V)	100	0.25	Sri Perumalswami	do
120	99	Kolarpatty (P)	Kolarpatty	Sri Mohampuri-amman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Mohampuri-amman	Gomangalam Railway station 2 miles
121	„	do	do	Sri Siruthandiamman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Siruthandi-amman	do
122				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.10	Sri Mariamman	
123				Sri Jagatheeswaraswami temple (S)	150	0.03	Sri Jagatheeswarar	
124				Sri Chettipalayam Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.10	Sri Chettipalayam Mariamman	
125	100	Malayandi-patnam (P)	Malayandi-patnam	Sri Durgaiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.04	Sri Durga	Pollachi Railway station 8 miles
126	101	Gomangalam-pudur (V)	Gomangalam-pudur	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	80	0.10	Sri Venugopalaswami	Gomangalam Railway station 1½ miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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500	...	10'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
216	...	...	...	31'54	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Poasari	Mahavivarathri	...	No
200	...	...	...	30'94	...	...	...	Once a week by a Priest	No	...	No
450	...	30'78	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poasari	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
.	...	...	...	22'61	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Car Festival	...	No
588	...	...	...	30'78	...						
.	...	...	...	21'96	...						
.	...	...	...	34'51	...						
200	...	11'76	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
798	...	...	...	17'00	10	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
127	102	Koolanaick-enpatty (V)	Koolanaick-enpatty	Sri Jakkalamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Jakkalamman	Gomangalam Railway station 1/8 mile
128	„	do	do	Sri Bommaiahswami temple (O)	200	0.10	Sri Bommaiahswami	do
129				Sri Chinnamuthu-swami temple (O)	200	0.10	Sri Chinnamuthu-swami	
130	„	do	do	Sri Malaiaidswami temple (O)	200	0.07	Sri Malaiaidswami	do
131	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Gomangalam Railway station 1/4 mile
132	103	Sinjiwadi (V)	Sanjiwadi	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	250	0.07	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Gomangalam Railway station 3 1/4 miles
133	104	Thenkomara-palayam (P)	Thenkomara-palayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	250	0.07	Sri Vinayagar	do
134				Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	250	0.02	Sri Pidariamman	
135	„	do	do	Sri Kunjeriamman temple (F)	250	Not stated	Sri Kunjeriamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board</b>											
1,500.	...	...	...	46.64	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
900	...	...	...	36.62	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
600	...	8.50	...	10.00	...	...	...	Four times a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
550	...	18.24	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
400	...	...	...	23.05	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
400	Extent not stated			0.28	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
136	107	Samathur (P)	Samathur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station 4 miles
137				Sri Pattatharasiamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Pattatharasiamman	
138				Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	100	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	
139	109	Singanallur (P)	Singanallur	Sri Sithandeeswarar temple (S)	200	0.03	Sri Chithandeswarar	Pollachi Railway station 5 miles
140	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	200	0.05	Sri Angalamman	Pollachi Railway station 4 miles
141	110	Anamalai (P)	Anamalai	Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	200	0.20	Sri Drowpathiamman	Anamalai Road Railway station 3½ miles
142	„	do	do	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.10	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	do
143	„	do	do	Sri Perianachaiamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Perianachiamman	do
144	„	do	do	Sri Ranganathar temple (V)	35	0.05	Sri Ranganatha-Perumal	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
					Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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...	...	19.42	...	...	}		...	...	...	Twice a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
800	...	13.44	...	...			...	...	...				
...	...	12.05	...	...			...	...	...				
4,082	...	100.05	...	7.83	...	...	Car Rishabam	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sivarathri	...	Yes		
1,488	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No		
300	...	...	...	8.40	...	5,000	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pillai	Amman Festival	...	No		
1,783	4.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Bramin	Hanumantha Jayanthi Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	Yes		
600	...	7.79	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No		
585	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	No	No	...	Yes		

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
145	110	Anamalai (P)	Anamalai	Sri Bettaroyaswami temple (O)	400	0.10	Sri Bettaroyaswami	Anamalai Road Railway station 3 miles
146	„	do	do	Sri Visweswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.20	Sri Visweswaraswami	do
147	„	do	do	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	50	0.30	Sri Kannikaparameswari amman	Anamalai Road Railway station 4 miles
148	111	Odayakulam (P)	Odayakulam	Sri Sennai Kalroya Perumal temple (V)	300	0.03	Sri Sennai Kalroya Perumal	Anamalai Road Railway station 7 miles
149	„	do	Ramachandrapuram	Sri Venkatachalapathy temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Venkatachalapathy	do
150	113	Vettaikaranpudur	Vettaikaranpudur	Sri Perumalswami temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Perumalswami	Anamalai Road Railway station 6 miles
151	„	do	do	Sri Adi Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.05	Sri Adi Vinayagar	do
152	„	do	do	Sri Deivakulakali-amman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Deivakulakali-amman	Anamalai Road Railway station 5 miles
153	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.20	Sri Mariamman	do





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			Value of Jewellery Rs.		Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist					
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others						Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
1,191	6'24	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
2,460	...	...	...	8'09	...	...	Horse Peacock Rishabam Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Saturdays in Margazhi	...	Yes
760	...	...	...	House-1	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a Brahmin	Navarathri Sri Rama Navami Sri Kannikaparameswari Birth Day Festival	...	
575	...	14'48	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
984	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
1,939	...	...	...	6'00	...	...	Ratham	Daily poojas by a hereditary Archagar	Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	No
300	...	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
953	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Soora Samharam in Purattasi	...	No
1,079	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
154	113	Vettaikaran-pudur	Vettaikaran-pudur	Sri Kanniamman Bajanai temple (F)	100	0.69	Sri Kanniamman	Anamalai Road Railway station
155	115	Samanthurai (P)	Samanthurai	Sri Adi Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.02	Sri Adi Vinayagar	Pollachi Railway station 12 miles
156	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	1.33	Sri Mariamman	do
157	„	do	do	Sri Koormaswami temple (V)	30	0.10	Sri Koormaswami	Railway station not stated
158	120	Thondamuthur (P)	Thondamuthur	Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)	500	0.05	Sri Kariakaliyamman	Pollachi Railway station 7 miles
159	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.03	Sri Mariamman	do
160	123	Nallur (P)	Nallur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Pollachi Railway station 3 miles
161	123	Arthanari-palayam (P)	Arthanari-palayam	Sri Alagu Thirumalairoya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Alaguthirumalairoya Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 5 miles
162				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
163	125	Kambala-patti (V)	Kambala- 	Sri Kannimariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Kannimariamman	Pollachi Railway station 8 miles
164			..	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	
165	126	Jallipatty (V)	Jallipatty	Sri Ammaneswara swami temple (S)	300	0.03	Sri Ammaneswaraswami	Pollachi Railway station 14 miles
166				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.10	Sri Mariamman amman	
167	128	Augalakurichi (P)	Augalakurichi	Sri Rama Bajanai koil (V)	50	0.15	Sri Ramar	Pollachi Railway station
168	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Pollachi Railway station 10 miles
169	130	Kottur (P)	Kottur	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Pollachi Railway station 9 miles
170	..	do	do	Sri Mayilappaswami temple (O)	200	...	Sri Mayilappaswami	Subbagoundan-pudur Railway station 7 miles from Kottur
171	..	do	do	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	100	0.03	Sri Venugopalaswami	Pollachi Railway station 10 miles
172	..	do	do	Sri Kadiroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.50	Sri Kadiroya Perumal	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non- deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

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900	...	14'00	...	...	...	200	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
663	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3,342	4'64	73'75	...	...	...	...	Rishabam	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthiga Deepam	...	No
260	...	8'00	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
300	...	7'00	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Twice a week by a Mudaliar	Purattasi Saturdays	...	No
350	...	7'00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	9'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,040	...	3'08	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
417	...	14'94	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri	...	No
1,040	1'99	7'25	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Sri Rama Navami Gokulashtami Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
173	130	Kottur (P)	Kottur Malai- angur	Sri Balamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Balamman	do
174	"	do	do	Sri Balamman temple (F)	200	0.83	Sri Balamman	do
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	2	Panapatty	Panapatty	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.30	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	Chettipalayam Railway station 8 miles
2	4	Vadachithu	Vadachithu	Sri Thanthoniamman temple (F)	125	Not stated	Sri Thanthoniamman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 8 miles
3	11	Kinathukadavu	Kinathukadavu (V)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	Kinathukadavu Railway station 1 mile
4	20	Nallathipalayam	Nallathipalayam	Sri Marudakali- amman temple (F)	200	0.07	Sri Marudakali- amman	Nallantipalayam Railway station 1½ miles
5	"	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.15	Sri Mariamman	do
6	"	do	do	Sri Nanjundeswara- swami temple (S)	100	0.25	Sri Nanjundes- warar	do
7	21	Devaraya- puram (V)	Devaraya- puram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

700	3.50	3.00	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,700	3.52	3.68	...	Garden 0.93	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram		...	No

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500	...	48.48	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	9.15	...	...	...	100	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
250	...	5.09	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Trustee	No	...	No
40	...	12.37	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival	...	No
600	...	13.78	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival	...	Yes
15,000	...	240.00	...	...	...	...	Peacock Rishabam Chapparam Horses-3	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
300	...	...	...	3.40	...	...	Garudan	Thrice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Loca name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
8	31	Devanpalayam (V)	Devanpalayam	Sri Ammaneswaraswami temple (S)	1,000	0.05	Sri Ammaneswaraswami	Pollachi Railway station 13 miles
9	35	Perianthalam (P)	Perianthalam	Sri Karivaradaraja-Perumal temple (F)	300	0.02	Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal	Kovilpalayam Railway station 6 miles
10	44	Ramapatnam (P)	Gopalapuram	Sri Mahaliyamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Mahaliyamman	Pollachi Railway station 10 miles
11	48	Kabilipalayam (V)	Kabilipalayam	Sri Pogaluramman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Pogaluramman	Pollachi Railway station
12	56	Avalappampatti (V)	Avalappampatti	Sri Ammaneswaraswami temple (S)	100	2.10	Sri Ammaneswaraswami	Gomangalam Railway station 8 miles
13	..	do	do	Sri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	100	0.10	Sri Velayudhaswami	do
14	68	Mathur (V)	Thimmamgathur	Sri Piraliyamman temple (F)	300	0.02	Sri Piraliyamman	Pollachi Railway station 8 miles
15	75	Uthukuli (V)	Uthukuli	Sri Karivaradaraja-Perumal temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Perumal	Pollachi Railway station 2 miles
16	98	Kanjampatti (P)	Kanjampatti	Sri Ammaneswarar temple (S)	150	0.15	Sri Ammaneswarar	Tiruvampattu Railway station 1½ miles
17	101	Gomangalam-pudur (V)	Gomangalam-pudur	Sri Malaiandiswami temple (O)	200	2.11	Sri Malaiandiswami	Gomangalam Railway station 2½ miles



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
Not stated	...	...	20'00	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	Yes
7,000	...	18'32	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin		...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
700	...	...	...	6'35	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	80'00	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
Not stated	...	47'12	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
300	...	3'24	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
2,000	...	...	...	12'78	...	1,000	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Gokulashtami	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Annual festival in Thai	...	No
200	...	2'11	...	7'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Priest	Karthigai Deepam	...	No

## UDUMALPET TALUK

### 76. DHALI

#### Amanalingeswarar temple at Tirumurthimalai

Tirumurthimalai is nearly thirteen miles south of Udumalpet and two miles from Tirumurthi dam. It is on the banks of Dhali river and forms part of the Anamalai hills in western ghats. There is also a small fall.

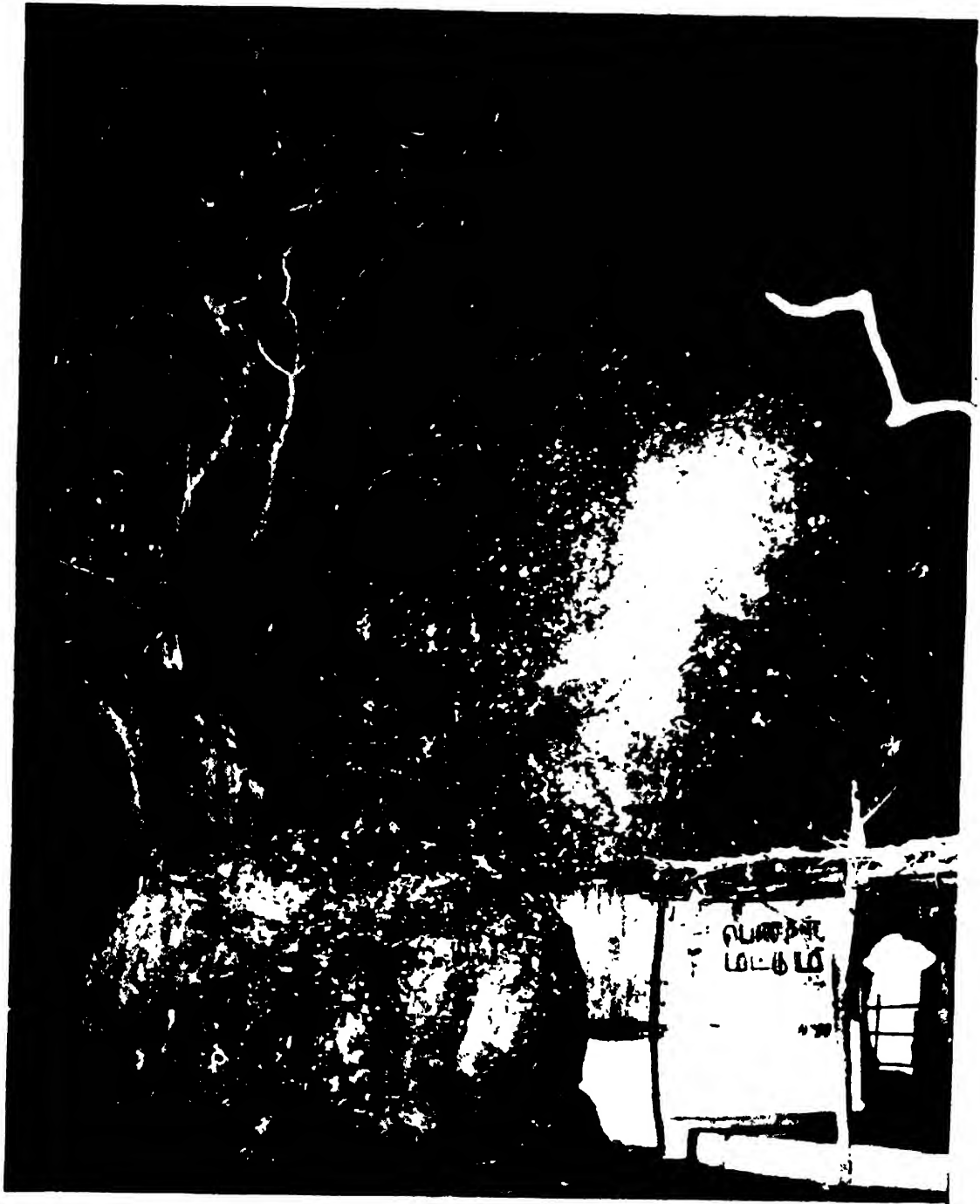
Buses ply upto the dam. Pilgrims visit in large numbers on Sundays and New Moon days. Buses are therefore extended up to Tirumurthimalai. Except a mandapam, there is no structure which resembles a temple or any idol. Pilgrims offer their prayers standing in front of the rock in which the portrait is carved. The image on the rock is not upright. Devotees believe that on the top of the hill above the rock, God the almighty presents Himself in the three forms of Siva, Vishnu and Brahma. To test the chastity of Anusuya the wife of sage Aththiri who lived at this place, Siva, Vishnu and Brahma visited her in the form of three sages and wished Anusuya to feed them naked. Anusuya fulfilled their wishes by first making them small babies, and then restored their form at the request of their wives.

Poojas are performed on Sundays and New Moon days at the foot of the rock by a Brahmin priest, whose office is hereditary. There is annual income of about Rs. 500/- from hundi collections, about Rs. 1,000/- from devotees for poojas and another Rs. 1,000/- by other means. Festivals are celebrated in the months of Adi, Avani, Purattasi, Thai and Masi (from July to October and January to March). The chief annual festival is the Sivarathri in the month of Masi (February-March) which attracts about ten thousand devotees. The temple is managed by a board of five trustees.

### 88. INAM SANGIRAMANALLUR, KOLUMAN

#### Dhandaveswaraswami and Chozheeswaraswami temples

Koluman is about 10 miles south-east of Udumalpet on the Palni road. It was ruled by Kongu Cholars, Mysore kings and Madurai Naik dynasty. About 1,500 years back, Kumanan, the legendary Tamil king, noted for his charity, ruled from this place which was then known as 'Kumana Nagar'. In the 168th verse of Ahananuru (அகநாநூறு), this place is referred to as குழமூர் (Kuzhumoor). In the local stone inscriptions, this is referred to as குழமம் (Kuzhumam). It was also known as சதுர்வேதிமங்கலம் (Chathurvedhimangalam) and நல்லூர் (Nallur) with several prefixes like Vikram Chadurvedhi Mangalam, Ulahu Pirattiar Chathurvedhi Mangalam, Vikramachola Nallur, Veeranarayana Nallur, Kerala Kesari Nallur etc. These names suggest that this should have been a strategic point and every time there was a change in the ruling power, it also resulted in a change in the name of place. Its location on the bank of Amaravathi river makes it a fertile place. According to a stone inscription copied as 136 and 137 of 1909 the temple was founded by Vira Chola Deva who came to the throne about 1118. The inscription records that the king caused a linga to be set up, and a temple to be built on the occasion of a solar eclipse which happened to fall on the day of his janmanakshatra and called it Vira Cholisvara. It was consecrated by a certain Kannabhattan who was appointed Manager of the temple. Thirty-two inscriptions (136 to 167), were copied in this temple in the year 1909 by the Government Epigraphist. The temple has no gopuram, but has vimanam claimed to be of Pandya style. There is only one prakaram. There are two mandapams. In one of these mandapams there is a big copper image of Lord Natara-jar. It is really beautiful and noted for the skill



Amanalingeswarar shrine, Thirumurthimalai.



in its workmanship. It is in the fitness of things that due importance is given to this image and the temple is also named after it as Thandaveswara-swami temple. The temple occupies a space of 33,150 square feet. It owns eight acres of wet land and 110 acres of dry land and has a right over the land tax in the inam village of Sangiramanallur. There is an annual income of Rs. 6,500/- from these landed properties. There are also service inams. But the up-

keep of the temple by the temple servants needs toning up. Poojas are performed twice a day with rare attendance of devotees. There is a car (ഓട്ടം) which is not used. Arudhra Dharisanam in the month of Margazhi (മാർഗ്ഗാഴി) December-January is the only annual festival without much response from the public. The temple is managed by an Executive Officer and a board of three trustees.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	5	Periapatti (P)	Kallapalayam	Sri Jala Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.35	Sri Jalaperumal	Udumalpet Railway station 13 miles
2	„	do	Periapatti	Sri Dandayudhapani temple (M)	Not known	1.00	Sri Dandayudha-Subramaniam	do
3	„	do	do	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Subramaniam	do
4	„	do	do	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.03	Sri Sidhi Vinayagar	Udumalpet Railway station 12 miles
5	„	do	do	Sri Ranganathaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Ranganathaswami	do
6	9	Annikadavu (P)	Annikadavu	Sri Kariakaliamman temple (F)	110	0.38	Sri Kariakaliamman	Kovilpalayam Railway station 12 miles
7	„	do	Sindulappai	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Nageswaraswami	Udumalpet Railway station 12 miles
8	„	do	do	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

400	...	...	96'17	...	...	16	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Annual Festival Adi Mangal	...	No
...	...	...	...	173'38	...	50	Chapparams-2	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Soora Samharam	...	No
1,425	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipooasam Karthigai Deepam Vinayaga Chathurthi Adi Krithigai	...	No
...	...	...	...	22'34	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
590	...	...	...	127'20	...	...	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Krishna Jayanthi	...	No
600	...	...	...	48'00	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival	...	No
480	...	76'61	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No
500	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
9	11	Veedampatti (V)	Veedampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.29	Sri Mariamman	Udumalpet Railway station 14 miles
10	12	Vengalpatti	Veelakondapuram	Sri Vijayakothandaramaswami temple (V)	200	0.25	Sri Vijayakothandaramaswami	Pulankinar Railway station
11	15	Somavarapatti (P)	Somavarapatti	Sri Aal Kondamal temple (O)	Not known	0.17	Sri Aal Kondamal	Udumalpet Railway station 8 miles
12	18	Kottamangalam (P)	Kottamangalam	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	200	0.20	Sri Angalamman	Udumalpet Railway station 6 miles
13	..	do	do	Sri Vellakondaswami temple (O)	300	Not stated	Sri Vallakondaswami	do
14	..	do	do	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	200	0.75	Sri Varadarajaswami	do
15	19	Gudimangalam (P)	Gudimangalam	Sri Sooleeswaraswami temple (S)	250	0.65	Sri Sooleeswaraswami	Udumalpet Railway station 9 miles
16	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	125	0.04	Sri Mariamman	do
17	..	do	do	Sri Thayanalliamman temple (F)	250	0.15	Sri Thayanalliamman	do



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

200	•	Extent not stated	...	...	300	Palanquin	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Ayppasi Karthigai	...	No	
1,000	•	6.51	...	House-1	...	300	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadesi Sri Rama Navami Sri Jayanthi	...	No
1,275		...	...	0.50	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a Gounder	No	...	No
200		...	...	10.85	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pillai	No	...	No
•294		Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
•993		...	...	165.09	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
2,149	•	124.78	...	...	...	1,200	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
250		20.62	...	...	...	530	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300		35.95	...	...	• ...	30	...	Once a day by a hereditary	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
18	20	Metratti (V)	Metratti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0·05	Sri Mariamman	Udumalpet Railway station 10 miles
19	„	do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	200	0·18	Sri Alaganachiamman	do
20	21	Karatholavu (P)	Karatholuvu	Sri Agastheeswaraswami temple (S)	800	0·25	Sri Agastheeswarar	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
21	„	do	do	Sri Kalyana Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	1,200	0·01	Sri Kalyana Varadaraja Perumal	Madathukulam Railway station 4 miles
22	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	800	0·10	Sri Angalamman	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
22	„	do	do	Sri Pachaiamman temple (F)	1,000	0·18	Sri Pachaiamman	Madathukulam Railway station 1 miles
24	„	do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	800	0·15	Sri Alaganachiamman	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
25	22	Thungar (V)	Malayandipattam	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	0·10	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Madathukulam Railway station 6 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
	...	...	...	8'00	...	...	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300	...	...	...	80'00	...	...	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
819	4'35	...	...	...	...	172'50	Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Thaipoozam	...	No
707	...	2'47	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
	2'17	...	...	...	...	30	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri	...	No
489	3'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri	...	No
500	1'09	...	...	...	...	45	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	41'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
26	26	Doddampatti (V)	Doddampatti	Sri Uchimahali- amman temple (F)	50	Not stated	Sri Uchimahali- amman	Udumalpet Railway station 6 miles
27	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	60	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Pulankinar Railway station 4 miles
28	31	Kuruneri (V)	Kuruneri	Sri Amman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Badrakali- amman	Udumalpet Railway station 3 miles
29	32	Chinnavee- rampatti (V)	Eripalayam	Sri Varadaraja Peru- mal temple (V)	Not known	0.10	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Udumalpet Railway station 1 mile
30	„	do	do	Sri Chithandeswarar temple (S)	70	0.05	Sri Chithandes- warar	Udumalpet Railway station 1½ miles
31	33	Udumalpet (M)	Udumalpet	Sri Kannikaparames- wari temple (F)	70	0.25	Sri Kannikapa- rameswari	Udumalpet Railway station miles not stated
32	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.45	Sri Mariamman	do
33				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	6	0.03	Sri Vinayagar	
34	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Peru- mal temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do

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•	...	6'00	...	...	...	200	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300	...	7'10	...	...	...	200	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No
•	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Ani	...	No
300	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
600	...	36'70	...	...	...	...	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri	...	No
•	...	...	...	4'00	...	5,000	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	Navarathri	...	No
2,887	...	...	...	22'21	...	2,000	Lion Horse Peacock	Once a day by a Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
3,662	...	...	...	12'54	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
•	...	35'35	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Chettiar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
35	33	Udumalpet (M)	Udumalpet	Sri Navaneethakrishna swami temple (V)	Not known	0.12	Sri Navaneetha-krishnaswami	do
36	„	do	do	Sri Soundararaja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.08	Sri Soundararaja Perumal	do
37	„	do	do	Sri Prasanna Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.40	Sri Prasanna Vinayagar	Udumalpet Railway station
38	„	do	do	Sri Perumal temple (V)	150	1.37	Sri Perumal	Udumalpet Railway station 3 miles
39	35	Myavadi (P)	Myavadi	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	0.08	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Malvadi Road Railway station 3 miles
40	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.20	Sri Mariamman	do
41	„	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Sellandiamman	Udumalpet Railway station 8 miles
42	„	do	do	Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Kariakaliyamman	do

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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,132	1.79	...	...	Shops-2	...	Value not stated	Garuda Horse	Once a day by a Brahmin	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
499	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	Garuda	Once a day by a Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
	...	52.35	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
432	...	...	50.00	House-1 Coconut trees-15	...	100	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
250	...	...	...	48.26	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
332	...	61.69	...	...	}	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
616	...	33.28	...	...		...	...				

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
43	37	Kaniyur (P)	Kaniyur	Sri Chockanathaswami temple (S)	200	Not stated	Sri Chockanathaswami	Madathukulam Railway station 3½ miles
44	„	do	do	Sri (Santhana) Gopala krishnaswami temple (V)	150	0·10	Sri Gopalakrishnaswami	do
45	38	Kadathur	Kadathur	Sri Arjuneeswarar temple (S)	600	1·07	Sri Arjuneeswarar	Madathukulam Railway station 5½ miles
46	„	do	do	Sri Konguneswarar temple (F)	Not known	0·31	Sri Konguneswarar	do
47	„	do	do	Sri Marudakaliamman temple (F);	Not known	0·30	Sri Marudakaliamman	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
48	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0·20	Sri Angalamman	Madathukulam Railway station 4 miles
49	„	do	do	Sri Natarajar temple (S)	52	0·30	Sri Natarajar	Madathukulam Railway station 4 miles
50	39	Cholama-devi (P)	Cholama-deyi	Sri Kulasekaraswami temple (S)			Sri Kulasekaraswami	Madathukulam Railway station 3 miles
51				Sri Kongumar Valliamman temple (F)	800	0·10	Sri Kongumar Valliamman	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
4,000 •	5.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri Thaiposam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
900	1.52 •	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami	...	No
•	...	...	...	11.35	...	50	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Poosam Sivarathri	380-381	...
4,604	...	...	...	1.42	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
1,800 •	...	...	...	4.00	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Desigar	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	Yes
600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sivarathri	...	No
600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
2,100	7.22	...	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
52	39	Cholamadevi (P)	Cholamadevi	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	700	0.05	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	Madathukulam Railway station 1 mile
53	41	Sinkarkan-nandipudur (V)	Sinkarkan-nandipudur	Sri Thirumantheeswarar temple (S)	800	Below 0.01	Sri Thirumantheeswarar	Madathukulam Railway station 2 miles
54	..	do	do	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	800	0.02	Sri Kailasanathar	do
55	..	do	do	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Selva Vinayagar	do
56	..	do	do	Sri Kalyana Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	400	Below 0.01	Sri Kalyana Varadaraja Perumal	do
57	..	do	do	Sri Kaliyuga Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Kaliyuga Varadaraja Perumal	do
58	..	do	do	Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)	750	Below 0.02	Sri Alaganachiamman	do
95	51	Udukkampalayam (P)	Udukkampalayam	Sri Kottai Perumal temple (V)	150	0.06	Sri Kottai Perumal	Gomangalam Railway station 3 miles
60				Sri Veeranarayana Perumal temple (V)			Sri Veeranarayana Perumal	

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			Value of Jewellery Rs.		Reported by temple	Ref. for deciphered ones				Non-deciphered but reported to exist	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others							Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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555	1.65	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
	1.66	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	219 of 1909	...
3,500	7.11	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	211 to 218 of 1909	...
	1.03	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	221 of 1909	...
5,099	...	...	...	5.27	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	Yes
	10.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Trustee	No	220 of 1909	..."
592	...	...	...	2.61	...	Value not stated	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,000	Extent not stated		...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Chettiar	Gokulashtami Karthigai Deepam Maha Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
61	51	Udukkam-palayam (P)	Udukkam-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	Below 0.12	Sri Mariamman	Gomangalam Railway station 3 miles
62				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	100	0.06	Sri Sellandiamman	
63	52	Pungamuthur (P)	Karathur	Sri Sanjeeviroyar temple (O)	150	0.01	Sri Sanjeeviroyar	Pulankinar Railway station 10 miles
64				Sri Hanumantharoyar temple (O)	150	0.01	Sri Hanumantharoyar	
65	53	Chellappan-palayam (V)	Chellappan-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	Below 0.26	Sri Mariamman	Pulankinar Railway station 8 miles
66	„	do	do	Sri Katha Perumal (Kalia perumal) temple (V)	100	0.06	Sri Katha Perumal	Pulankinar Railway station 10 miles
67	56	Valayapalayam (V)	Valayapalayam	Sri Valayapattiamman temple (F)	50	0.06	Sri Valayapattiamman	Gomangalam Railway station 9 miles
68	60	Reddipalayam (V)	Reddipalayam	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Gomangalam Railway station 6 miles
69	63	Periavalavadi (P)	Chinnavalavadi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	70	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Pulankinar Railway station 4 miles
70				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.10	Sri Mariamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
					Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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750	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	Value not stated	Chapparam	Once a day by a Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
997	...	25.09	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami	...	No
200	...	28.70	...	...	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Saraswathi Pooja Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	No
417	...	...	...	28.20	...	...	...	Daily poojas by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
650	...	22.00	...	...	...	...	...	Daily poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
500	...	...	...	20.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
437	...	...	...	8.63	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
						175	...	Twice a day by a hereditary	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
71	63	Periavalavadi (P)	Periavalavadi	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	60	0.05	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Pulankinar Railway station 3 miles
72				Sri Kandaroya Perumal temple (V)	30		Sri Kandaroya Perumal	
73	..	do	do	Sri Vijayakothandaramar temple (V)	50	0.10	Sri Vijayakothandaramar	Pulankinar Railway station
74	64	Velur (V)	Velur	Sri Kambalaroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Kambalaroya Perumal	Madathukulam Railway station 8 miles
75	74	Deepalapatti (V)	Deepalapatti	Sri Alanthuraiamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Alanthuraiamman	Pulankinar Railway station 4 miles
76	76	Dhali (P)	Dhali	Sri Amanalingeswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Amanalingeswarar	Udumalpet Railway station 10 miles
77	..	do	do	Sri Manangathamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Manangathamman	do
78	..	do	do	Sri Alanthuraiamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Alanthuraiamman	Udumalpet Railway station 9 miles
79	..	do	do	Sri Alagu Thirumalairoya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Alagu Thirumalairoya Perumal	do

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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360	...	...	...	26.68	...	...	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami Gokulashtami Ekadasi	...	No
1,736	...	...	30.00	...	—	...	...	Thrice a day by an Archagar	No	...	No
572	...	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No
800	...	11.22	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a month by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
5,663	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
596	...	...	...	Vacant plot 2.00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
...	...	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
80	76	Dhali (P)	Dhali	Sri Kalki Perumal temple (V)	250	Below 0·01	Sri Kalki Perumal	Udumalpet Railway station 7 miles
81	82	Manupatti (P)	Manupatti	Sri Elumalai Venkata-chalapathy temple (V)	500	Not stated	Sri Venkata-chalapathy	Udumalpet Railway station 10 miles
82	„	do	do	Sri Ukkara Kali-amman temple (F)	Not known	0·03	Sri Ukkara Kali-amman	Udumalpet Railway station 12 miles
83	83	Andi Gounda-nur (P)	Sakkampalayam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	250	0·05	Sri Sellandi-amman	Udumalpet Railway station 6 miles
84	85	Komaralingam (P)	Komaralingam	Sri Dhattathiroya-swami temple (O)	100	0·35	Sri Dhattathi-royaswami	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
85	„	do	do	Sri Kasiviswanatha-swami temple (S)	Not known	0·27	Sri Kasiviswana-thaswami	do
86	85	Komaralin-gam (P)	Komaralin-gam	Sri Athoram Venkata ramanaswami temple (V)	100	0·35	Sri Athoram Venkataramana-swami	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
87	„	do	do	Sri Krishnaswami temple (V)	100	0·35	Sri Krishnaswami	do
88				Sri Karivaradaraja Perumal temple (V)		0·35	Sri Karivarada- raja Perumal	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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450*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
842	...	28.61	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Archagar	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
250	...	...	6.00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
230	...	17.98	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
0.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by an Archagar	Sivarathri Gokulashtami Vijayadasami Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	444-445 of 1929	...
8,218	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	106 of 1909	...
19.97	21.77	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	106 of 1909	...
4,240	6.45	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by an Archagar	No	...	No
0.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Gokulashtami Vijayadasami Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	118-135 of 1909	...
5,835	10.58	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Gokulashtami Vijayadasami Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	118-135 of 1909	...

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
89	85	Komaralin-gam (P)	Komaralin-gam	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	100	0.35	Sri Venugopala-swami	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
90	87	Kolumam	Kolumam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Mariamman	do
91	..	do	do	Sri Hanumantha-royar temple (O)	Not known	0.02	Sri Hanumantha-royar	do
92	88	Sankara-manallur (V)	Sankarama-nallur (Kolumam)	Sri Kalyana Varada- rajaswami temple (V)	850	0.30	Sri Varadaraja-swami	do
93	..	do	do	Sri Thandaveswara-swami temple (S)	850	0.76	Sri Thandaveswaraswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
2,445	5.16	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by an Arch.	No	...	No
2,000	...	...	...	2.50	...	Value not stated	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
3,531	...	...	...	11.00	...	...	...	Daily Poojas performed by hereditary Rayars	No	...	No
10,519	8.00	110.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Bhat-tachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi	168 of 1909 & 292-294 of 1961-62	...
	8.00	110.00	...	...	...	...	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudra Dharisanam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	4	Kuppam-palayam (V)	Kuppam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.25	Sri Mariamman	Udumalpet Railway station 14 miles
2	5	Periapatti (P)	Periapatti	Sri Hanumantharoyar temple (O)	Not known	0.07	Sri Hanumantharoyar	Udumalpet Railway station 12 miles
3	11	Veedampatti (V)	Veedampatti	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	20	0.30	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Udumalpet Railway station 17 miles
4	14	Kongalugaram (V)	Kongalugaram	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	350	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Gomangalam Railway station 5 miles
5	15	Somavara-patti (P)	Somavara-patti	Sri Moovar Kandiamman temple (F)	300	0.70	Sri Kandiamman	Udumalpet Railway station 8 miles
6	21	Karatholavu (P)	Karatholavu	Sri Pechimuthuamman temple (F)	800	0.10	Sri Pechimuthuamman	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles
7	22	Thungar (V)	Seelanaickenpatti (Thungavi)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.12	Sri Mariamman	Madathukulam Railway station 6 miles
8	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	do
	..	do	Thungavi	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	150	2.00	Sri Kari Varadaraja Perumal	Madathukulam Railway station 5 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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Not stated	...	...	...	...	...	45	Palanquin	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	22.65	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari		...	No
Not stated	...	...	...	300.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Margazhi	...	No
750	...	...	...	60.73	...	...	...	Poojas by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
2,000	...	...	...	145.67	...	Value not stated	...	No	No	...	No
200	1.21	...	...	...	...	2	...	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	81.94	...	50	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival	...	No
...	...	...	...	82.47	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
100	...	50.68	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Gokulashtami Deepavali Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi Thiruvathirai Ugadhi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	35	Myavadi (P)	Myavadi	Sri Narasinga Perumal temple (V)	200	0.04	Sri Narasinga Perumal	Malvadi Road Railway station 3 miles
11	..	do	do	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	300	0.15	Sri Badrakali- amman	do
12	36	Jothampatti (P)	Jothampatti	Sri Ganapathi temple (G)	80	Not stated	Sri Vinayagar	Madathukulam Railway station 4 miles
13	..	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
14	38	Kadathur (P)	Kadathur	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.14	Sri Perumal	Madathukulam Railway station 5½ miles
15	..	do	do	Sri Hanumanthan temple (O)	40	0.05	Sri Hanumanthan	Madathukulam Railway station 4 miles
16	73	Arasur (V)	Arasur	Sri Arasadi Vinayagar temple (G)	30	0.01	Sri Arasadi Vinayagar	Udumalpet Railway station 11 miles
17	74	Deepalapati	Deepalapati	Sri Palamalai Ranganathar temple (V)	100	0.05	Sri Palamalai Ranganathar	Pulankinar Railway station 4 miles
18	82	Manupatti (V)	Manupatti	Sri Veerakali- amman temple (F)	300	0.03	Sri Veerakali- amman	Udumalpet Railway station

## TALUK (Concl'd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
10,000	...	...	...	90'00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	5'04	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
100	...	19'98	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	18'50	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
700	...	...	...	21'68	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No



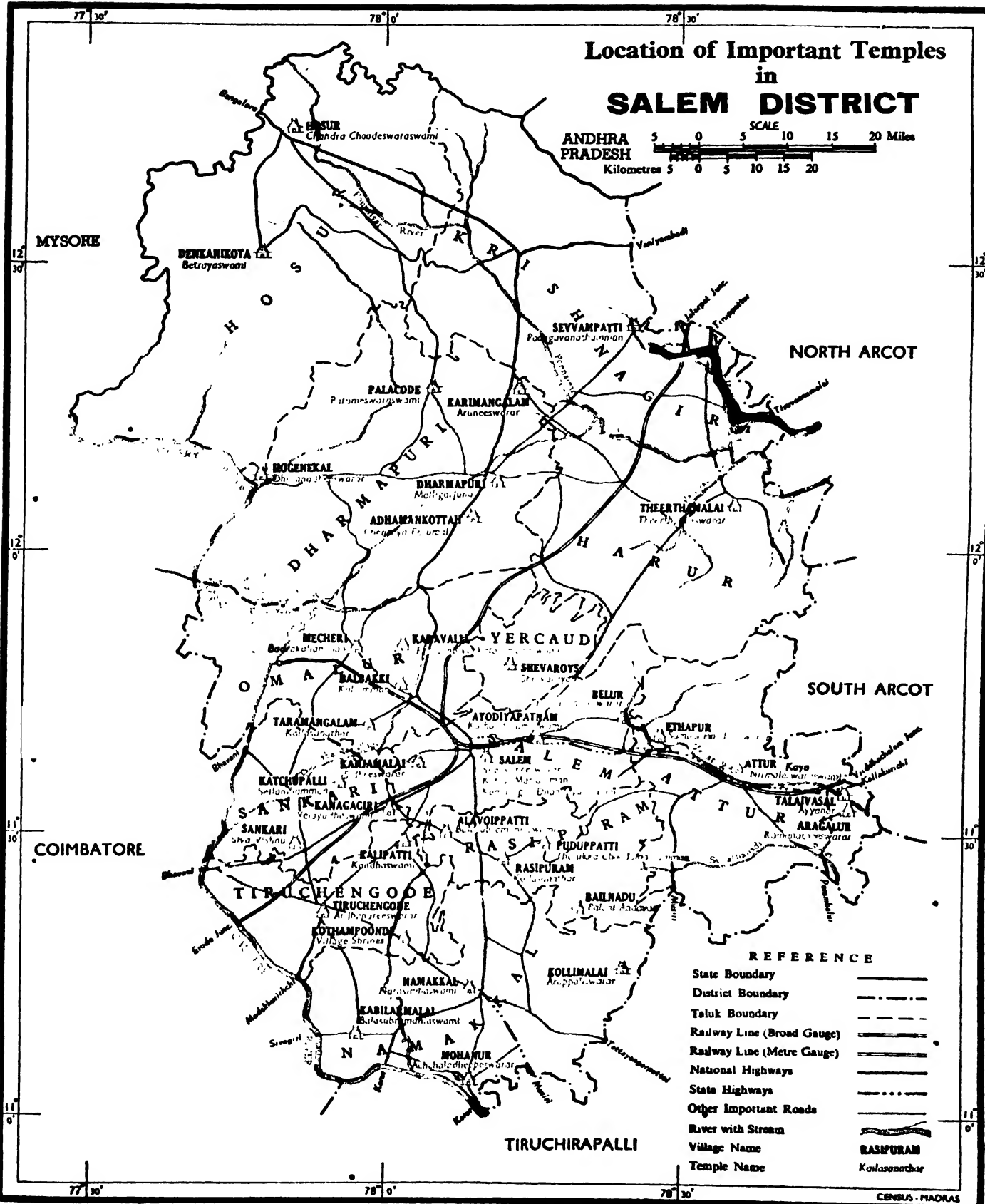
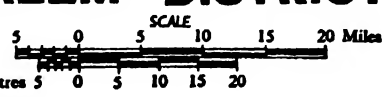


**SALEM DISTRICT**



# Location of Important Temples in SALEM DISTRICT

ANDHRA PRADESH



## REFERENCE

- State Boundary —————
- District Boundary - - - - -
- Taluk Boundary - - - - -
- Railway Line (Broad Gauge) —+—+—+—
- Railway Line (Metre Gauge) —+—+—+—
- National Highways ————
- State Highways ————
- Other Important Roads ————
- River with Stream ————
- Village Name ————
- Temple Name ————

RAMPURAM  
Kailasanathar



## SALEM DISTRICT

### INTRODUCTION

The District of Salem as it was constituted during 1961 Census has 1191 temples. On 2nd October 1965, this district was divided into two, Salem and Dharmapuri. The new district of Dharmapuri with headquarters as Dharmapuri was formed by detaching four taluks from the main district, viz. Hosur, Krishnagiri, Harur and Dharmapuri. This new district has 441 temples. The residual district of Salem consists of 8 taluks of Omalur, Yercaud, Salem, Sankari, Tiruchengode, Rasipuram, Attur and Namakkal and has 750 temples. For purpose of survey, the districts of Salem and Dharmapuri will be treated as one unit, but any reader will be able to distinguish the temples of Dharmapuri and Salem as separate entities.

The temples of this district date back to the 7th century. The most important temples are the Siva temple dedicated to Sri Ardhanareeswarar at Tiruchengode and the reputed Vaishnavite shrine of Sri Narasimhamurthy at Namakkal. Namakkal is known for a hillock with two interesting monolithic cave temples peculiar to Pallavas, a colossal statue for Hanuman and a hill fort. The sculptural representations in both the cave temples are considered as good if not better than those of Mahabalipuram.

As the name indicates, the presiding deity of Sri Ardhanareeswarar temple at Tiruchengode is a combination of male and female forms. The right half is that of Siva and the left of Uma. According to legend, Rishi Bringi worshipped only Siva and ignored Sri Parvathi. The latter did penance at Ketaram, Kasi, Kanchi and Tiruvannamalai and Siva gave her His left half and came to be known as Ardhanari (half female). Even then, the Rishi took the form of a beetle, made a hole between the two halves and came round to Siva only. On account of Parvathi's curse, the rishi lost his flesh and blood and became a skeleton. Siva gave him a third leg to support himself. This rishi's figure can be seen near the idol of Sri Ardhanareeswarar.

The rock-cut shrine at Namakkal scooped by Mahendravarman, the famous Pallava Ruler, dedicated to Sri Narasimhaswamy is held in great esteem by the Vaishnavites, which devotees visit all the year round. After killing Hiranyakasipu the Asura ruler, Sri Narasimha was in a ferocious mood. He, however, became

a 'Santhamurthy' (mild) and settled down on the shores of river Kantaki. Sri Mahalakshmi who was alone, was doing severe penance on the banks of Kamalalayam. Sri Anjaneya who was returning to Lanka with the Sanjivi hills, brought with him Sri Narasimha from the Kantaki river; as he was thirsty, he alighted on the banks of the Kamalalayam to take water. He placed Sri Narasimha on the banks of the tank before quenching his thirst. When Anjaneya tried to remove Him, he could not. Sri Narasimha settled down at Namakkal with Sri Mahalakshmi. The Lord here is a majestic figure in a sitting pose facing west, while a gigantic statue of Anjaneya, which has been installed facing east with folded hands, worshipping Him.

The ancient Sri Kailasanadhar temple at Taramangalam with a majestic five-tiered pagoda, 120' in height, fashioned at the bottom like a Car drawn by an elephant is reputed for its unique architectural beauty. It was customary among the sculptors who received "Thamboolam", fixing up an agreement to construct temples, to exempt the four famous shrines of Perur, Periyapalayam, Taramangalam and Thadikkombu, indirectly signifying the unparalleled nature of these temples, the patterns of which are difficult to imitate in respect of their sculptural carving even by experts. This testifies to the high level of grandeur and finish of the Taramangalam Sri Kailasanadhar temple. As the divine marriage of Lord Siva with Parvathi was celebrated by Sri Thirumal here, when He gave His daughter Parvathi ("Tharai", as She is called in Sanskrit), in marriage to Lord Siva with His profuse blessings and "Mangalam" for a happy married life, the name Taramangalam was given to this sacred sthalam. Sri Theerthagiriswarar of Theerthamalai is said to have been installed by Sri Rama of the great Epic Ramayana who offered poojas to Him to get rid of his "Brahmahathi Dhosham" (the sin of having killed Ravana). The still attractive temple of Malligarjuna in Dharmapuri is the standing monument of this ancient city considered to be famous with rich temples, "pleasure-gardens of Kings and high enclosure walls", a centre of Jainism and Saivism. The sacred lingam in Sri Dhesanadheeswarar temple at Hogenekal, where Sage Valmiki is reported to have had an Ashram is supposed to be installed by Sage Agasthiya himself. The ancient

Vaishnavite shrine dedicated to Sri Chenraya Perumal at Adhamankottah consisting of a garbhagraham and a Mukhamandapam has been declared as a protected monument and deserves importance in view of the colour paintings on the ceilings of the mandapam.

The great cattle fair and shandy which takes place at the time of the chief Car festival in "Masi" (February) of the local Bhadrakaliyamman temple at Mecheri, attract nearly 50,000 devotees from Salem, Dharmapuri, Namakkal, Tiruchengode and even from Tiruchirappalli and Madurai districts. The tiny well, situated in front of the thousand years old Cave temple at Shevaroys, dedicated to Sri Shervaraya Perumal is considered very sacred and never dries up.

The ancient and reputed Siva temple situated in the heart of the Salem town dedicated to Sri Sugavaneswarar, who is a Swayambu Lingam belongs to the periods of Koparakesari Varman, Ko-Rajakesari Varman and Sundara Pandian, whose reigns have been fixed as 1275 to 1302 A. D. The main annual festival at Sri Kottai Mariamman temple in Salem town which lasts for 21 days in the month of Adi attracts nearly three lakhs of devotees from all over the district and the Goddess here is believed to be very powerful.

The Lingam of the antique Siva temple at Rasipuram, supposed to have been built by the famous Tamil King Val Vil Ori, who ruled over Kolli hills, dedicated to Sri Kailasanathar is a Swayambu one facing west, unlike other Siva temples which normally face east. The granite vigraha of Lord Muruga in the guise of a hunter with a cock in his left hand and a spear in his right at Sri Palani Andavar temple of Bailnadu has been extolled by Sri Arunagirinadhar in his famous "Thiruppugazh". This shrine also originates from the period of Val Vil Ori, the ancient Tamil ruler of Kolli Hills. The presiding deity of Sri Balasubramaniaswamy at Kabilarmalai, which is a cave temple is believed to have been installed by the famous Tamil Poet Sri Kabilar himself, whose life period according to research scholars is the 2nd century A. D.

The sacred "Iluppai" tree inside the ancient Sri Thanthonreeswarar temple of Belur is said to have got this transformation from that of a Jack tree, by the curse of Sage Vasishtha and is likely to become a mango, a "nelli" and finally be restored to its original status of a Jack tree in due course. The ancient "Ilandhai" tree at the hill temple in Alavoipatti dedicated to

Sri Balasubramaniaswamy is supposed to be 200 years old, whose fruits are said to have four different tastes. Besides, there are three more "Vilva" trees here, with leaves of five branches, which is claimed to be a peculiar feature. In fact, each and every one of the 38 temples included in the descriptive part of the Directory has some interesting features.

The taluk-wise break-up of temples is as follows:—

Name of Taluk	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
1. Hosur	108	16	124
2. Krishnagiri	130	19	149
3. Harur	42	9	51
4. Dharmapuri	96	21	117
5. Omalur	73	14	87
6. Yercaud	2	4	6
7. Salem	135	11	146
8. Sankari	50	5	55
9. Tiruchengode	89	9	98
10. Rasipuram	68	7	75
11. Attur	85	9	94
12. Namakkal	175	14	189
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>1,191</b>

It is seen from the above statement that more than half the number of temples are concentrated in the taluks of Namakkal, Krishnagiri, Salem and Hosur. Namakkal taluk has the largest number of temples namely 189, closely followed by Krishnagiri, Salem and Hosur Taluks having 149, 146 and 124 shrines respectively, while the least is in Yercaud taluk viz., 6.

A classification of the temples according to the presiding deities reveals the following interesting details:—

Presiding Deities	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
Siva and His consort	207	26	233
Vishnu and His consort	261	33	294
Muruga	39	5	44
Goddesses	376	56	432
(Village Deities)			
Vinayagar	81	11	92
Other Deities	89	7	96
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>1,191</b>

More than 50% of the temples are those for village deities and Vishnu. A special feature of this district is that unlike other districts where Siva temples are predominant, here Vaishnavite shrines are greater in number. There are 294 Vaishnavite shrines as against 233 Siva temples, apart from 92 Vinayagar temples and 44 shrines dedicated to Lord Muruga.

The following statement shows the area covered by the temples.

Extent	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
Below 5 cents	417	64	481
5 cents and above but below 20 cents	245	32	277
20 cents and above but below 1 acre	269	31	300
1 acre and above but below 2 acres	60	2	62
2 acres and above but below 5 acres	13	1	14
5 acres and above but below 10 acres	3	...	3
10 acres and above	1	...	1
Area not stated	45	8	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>1,191</b>

A perusal of the above statement indicates that while only a single temple covers an area of 10 acres

and more, 481 shrines are smaller ones covering less than 5 cents. The majority of temples, 577 out of 1191, occupy an extent of 5 cents to an acre. Temples which cover an area of one acre and over are less than 7%, as the number of such shrines is only 80. The 53 temples which have not furnished information under this head may be treated as small ones. More than 50 per cent of temples cover an area of less than 4 grounds (1 ground = 60' × 40').

In 46 out of 213 Siva temples, the presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam, while in 163 other shrines, the Moolavar is an installed one. In Sri Ardhanareeswarar temple of Tiruchengode, the Murthy is in a standing posture while the remaining three temples have not stated their pose. There is only a picture in a temple and in 10 shrines neither picture nor idol is found. Excluding 319 temples, where their position is not specified, the posture of the presiding deities in other than Siva temples is as follows:

Standing pose	401
Sitting pose	133
Lying pose	2
Stone without figure	84
Thulasi Madam (Brindavanam)	7
Ant hill	6
Head	2
Kalasam	1
Others	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>648</b>

Poojas are performed in all except 18 temples where there are no priests. The following statement regarding poojas will be interesting:

Names of Deities	Temples under the Board			Temples outside the Board			Total		
	Where poojas are performed	Where the priest is		Where poojas are performed	Where the priest is		Where poojas are performed	Where the priest is	
		Brahmin	Others		Brahmin	Others		Brahmin	Others
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
Siva and His Consort	201	164	37	26	20	6	227	184	43
Vishnu and His Consort	248	176	72	33	19	14	281	195	86
Murugar	38	19	19	4	3	1	42	22	20
Vinayagar	79	20	59	11	2	9	90	22	68
Goddesses (Village deities)	354	27	327	48	1	47	402	28	374
Other deities	86	15	71	7	4	3	93	19	74
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,006</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>1,135</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>665</b>

In the majority of Siva, Vishnu, and Murugan temples, the priests belong to the Brahmin community, while there are a good number of shrines where priests of other communities offer poojas. Out of 92 temples for Vinayagar, the priest is a Brahmin in 22 shrines. In 665 out of 1135 temples, persons other than Brahmins offer poojas. Brahmin priests are found only in 47 out of 528 temples for village Goddesses and other deities. In the bigger Siva temples, after the recitation of Vedas in Sanskrit by the Gurukkals, Thevaram is sung in Tamil by Pandarams who are known as 'Othuvars'. In Vishnu temples the Bhattacharies recite Vedas in Sanskrit and Thiruvaimozhi in Tamil.

No ornaments are found in 728 temples. 52 temples have not furnished any details under the head. The classification of the remaining 411 temples according to value of jewellery owned by them is as follows :

Value of the Jewellery	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Rs.			
500 and below	...	246	33
501 - 1,000	...	51	3
1,001 - 5,000	...	51	8
5,001 - 10,000	...	8	...
10,001 - 50,000	...	7	...
50,001 - 1,00,000	...	2	...
1,00,001 - 5,00,000	...	2	...
5,00,001 - 10,00,000	...	...	...
Above ten lakhs	...	...	...
<b>Total</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>44</b>
			<b>411</b>

The following are the four temples which own ornaments worth more than Rs. 50,000/-.

1. Sri Narasimhaswamy temple—Namakkal
2. Sri Ranganathaswamy temple—Namakkal
3. Sri Ardhanareswarar temple—Tiruchengode
4. Sri Kannikaparameswari temple—Salem

The value of jewellery in Sri Narasimhaswamy temple of Namakkal is estimated at about Rs. 1,35,000/-.

Except 29 temples, the remaining shrines have immovable properties. Excluding 18 other temples

which have not given details of income, the classification of 1144 temples which derive an annual income from immovable properties is shown below :

Annual income	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Rs.			
500 and below	...	613	74
501 - 1,000	...	205	3
1,001 - 5,000	...	201	14
5,001 - 10,000	...	21	...
10,001 - 50,000	...	13	...
50,001 - 1,00,000	...	...	...
Above one lakh	...	...	...
<b>Total</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>91</b>
			<b>1,144</b>

The annual income accruing from immovable properties exceeds Rs. 10,000 in 13 shrines. The following are the 7 temples whose annual income is Rs. 15,000/- and above.

1. Sri Ardhanareswarar temple—Tiruchengode
2. Sri Kandaswamy temple—Mallasamudram
3. Sri Sugavaneswarar temple—Salem
4. Sri Ekambareswarar temple—Salem
5. Sri Kamakshiamman temple—Salem
6. Sri Prasanna Venkatachalapathi Temple—Salem
7. Sri Mariamman temple—Salem

Sri Kandaswamy temple of Mallasamudram gets the maximum income of Rs. 50,000/- per annum. Sri Sidheswarar temple at Kanjamalai and Sri Sugavaneswarar temple at Salem get an income of Rs. 3,000/- and Rs. 2,000/- respectively per annum under hundi collections, while the former also gets an additional annual income of Rs. 2,400/- through the sale of Archana and Abishega tickets.

Out of 1,191 temples, only 6 temples are running public institutions like Choultries, while Sri Kamakshiamman temple in Rasipuram and Sri Meenakshisundareswarar temple in Salem are running primary schools for the benefit of educating poor children.



1,063 temples have no cars, while 1,113 have no Rathams. 128 temples alone own Cars and 78 have Rathams. Only 51 temples are having palanquins and 319 shrines are in possession of Vahanams like Peacock, Rishabam, Elephant, Horse etc. These Vahanams are generally made of wood or brass. The bigger and more famous temples have gold and silver plated Vahanams.

Annual festivals are celebrated in 804 out of 1,191 temples, while there are no festivals in the remaining 387 shrines. The classification of temples on the basis of the number of festivals observed is as follows :-

Number of festivals in a year	Temples		Total
	Under the Board	Outside the Board	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
One Festival	423	57	480
Two Festivals	99	15	114
Three Festivals	88	8	96
Four Festivals	49	5	54
5 to 10 Festivals	46	7	53
11 to 20 Festivals	4	...	4
Number not stated	3	...	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>804</b>

The size of the crowd that gathers for the festivals exceeds 1,000 in 297 temples.

Out of 1,053 temples under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board, paid Executive Officers have been appointed by the Board only for 34 temples.

There are no trustees for 160 temples. There is a single trustee for 416 temples and a Board consisting of more than one trustee is in charge of 589 temples. Particulars under this head have not been furnished by 26 temples.

An analysis of the details given in the schedules reveals the following position regarding the age of the temples in the district.

Before Christ	7
Prior to 7th Century	8
7th century to 1750	334
After 1750 (modern)	611
Details not given	231
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,191</b>

The age of the temples given in the schedule is more a matter of surmise than any approximation to fact. The age of the 15 temples said to have been built prior to 600 A.D. cannot be correct. Some sort of shrines for worship existed in these places and later temples were built in such places.

The following 7 temples are believed to belong to the Epic age, though there is no authentic information for the same.

1. Sri Betrayeswamy temple ... Denkanikotta  
Hosur Taluk
2. Sri Theerthaswarar temple ... Theerthamalai  
Harur Taluk
3. Sri Dhesanadheeswarar temple ... Hogenekal  
Dharmapuri  
Taluk
4. Sri Kothandaramaswamy temple ... Ayodhiyapat-  
tinam ; Salem  
Taluk
5. Sri Kaya Nirmaleswara-  
swami temple ... Attur  
Attur Taluk
6. Sri Kamanatheeswarar temple ... Aragalur  
Attur Taluk
7. Sri Narasimhaswami temple ... Namakkal  
Namakkal Taluk

An attempt has been made to estimate the origin of a few temples with reference to the visits of Nayanmars and Alvars, their style of architecture and other details available.

As Saint Appar has referred to Sri Arappaliswarar temple of Kollimalai in one of his hymns "Kshethirakovai Thiruthandagam", it belongs to the 7th century, even though the existing structure may be of a later period. Besides, there are also two verses in "Thirupugazh" about it by Sri Manickavasagar.

As Saint Sambandar, is believed to have stayed at Tiruchengode and cured the prevailing epidemic of certain fever by singing "Thirunelaganda Thiruppathigam" in praise of the presiding deity of Sri Ardhanareeswarar temple, which has also been extolled as the famous shrine for Lord Muruga by Sri Arunagirinadhar in Kandhapuranam, Kandharanubhoodhi and Thirupugazh, it also should have been in existence in the 7th century itself.

The following three temples may be placed in the 15th century as Sri Arunagirinadhar has sung about them.

1. Sri Velayudhaswamy temple—Kanakagiri  
Sankari Taluk
2. Sri Kailasanadhar temple —Rasipuram  
Rasipuram Taluk
3. Sri Palani Andavar temple —Bailnadu  
Rasipuram taluk

Sri Sugavaneswarar temple of Salem City appears to belong to the Sangam age, i.e. 100 to 250 as it has been highly praised by the famous Tamil poetess Sri Avvaiyar in her "Ain" adikkalithurai", who also lived in the same period. Sri Malligarjuna temple of Dhramapuri and Sri Chenraya Perumal temple of Adhamankottah are said to have been built during the period of the famous Tamil King Adhiyaman, one of the seven reputed philanthropists, whose life time was stated to be the 2nd century A. D. The ancient cave

temple at Kabilarmalai, dedicated to Sri Balasubramaniaswamy also was constructed in the 2nd century A. D. as the presiding deity of this shrine is supposed to have been installed by the famous Tamil Poet Sri Kabilar himself, whose life period according to Research scholars is the 2nd century A. D. The reputed Sri Kailasanadhar temple at Taramangalam belongs to the period of 1268 A. D. as there is a reference to it, in a stone inscription of the Hoysala King Vira Ramana. Besides, signs of bow and arrow and tiger and fish, the three emblems of the Chera, Chola and Pandiya Kings are also found everywhere in the temple. Sri Chandra Choodeswarar temple of Hosur is said to be an ancient one, as it was patronised by several rulers like Gangas, Chalukyas, Cholas, Hoysalas, Vijayanagar and Mysore Kings. The age of Sri Shervaraya Perumal temple at Shevaroy is claimed to be 1,000 years.

While the above details show that these temples belong to the 7th or 8th centuries or to an earlier period, there is no information regarding the age of the existing structures in most cases. It is possible that additions were made by stages from time to time.

# TEMPLES OF MADRAS STATE

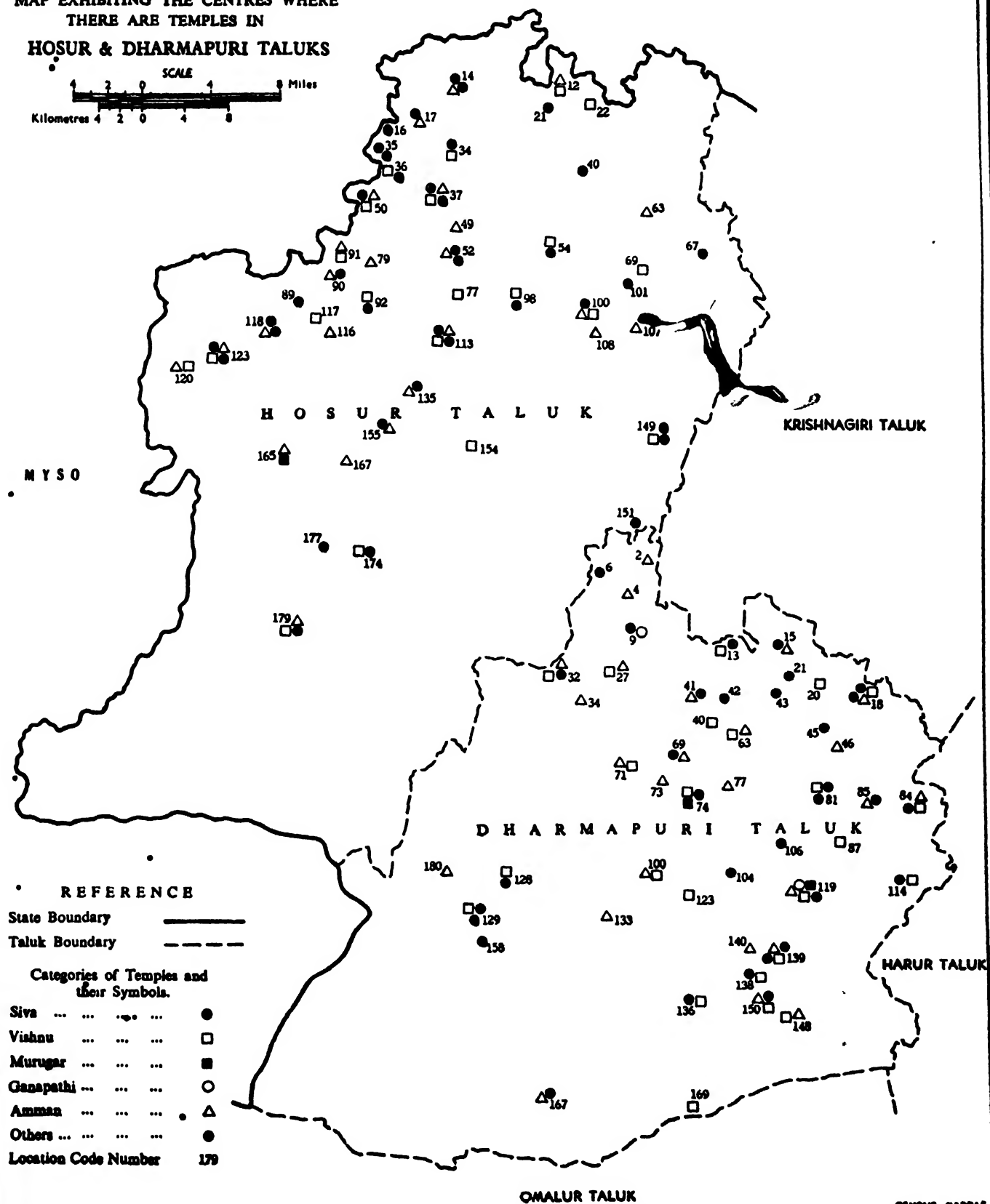
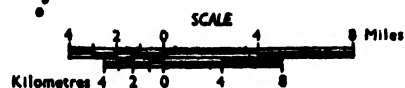
## SIGNIFICANT TEMPLES OF SALEM AND DHARMAPURI DISTRICTS

S. No.	No. & Name of Taluk	No. & Name of 1961 Census Unit	Name of Temple
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	1. Hosur ...	37 Hosur ...	Chandra Choodeswaraswami temple
2		155 Denkanikotta ...	Betrayaswami temple
3	2. Krishnagiri ...	97 Sevvampatti ...	Poongavanaththaman temple
4	3. Harur ...	30 Theerthamalai ...	Theerthagiriswarar temple
5	4. Dharmapuri ...	18 Karimangalam ...	Aruneeswara temple
6		41 Palakkodu ...	Parameswaraswami temple
7		119 Dharmapuri ...	Malligarjuna temple.
8		129 Koothapadi Pan-chayat	Dhesanadheeswarar temple at Hogenekal
9		139 Adhamankottai ...	Chenrayaperumal temple
10	5. Omalur ...	22 Mecheri ...	Badrakaliamman temple
11		40 Karavalli ...	Prasanna Venkataramanaswami temple
12		49 Balbakki ...	Kaliamman temple
13		87 Taramangalam ...	Kailasanathar temple
14	6. Yercaud ...	3 Shevaroyes ...	Servarayan temple
15	7. Salem ...	69 Salem ...	Sugavaneeswara temple
16			Kottai Mariamman temple
17			Kumaragiri Dhandayuthapani temple
18		85 Belur ...	Thanthondreeswarar temple
19		94 Ayodhiyapatnam ...	Kothandaramaswami temple
20		107 Perumanpatti Pan-chayat	Sidheeswarar temple at Kanjamalai
21	8. Sankari ...	18 Kachchupalli ...	Sellandiamman temple
22		43 Kanagagiri ...	Velayudhaswami temple
23		52 Sankari ...	Siva-Vishnu Devasthanam
24	9. Tiruchengode ...	19 Mallasamudram ...	Kandhaswami temple at Kalipatti
25		33 Tiruchengode ...	Ardhanareeswarar temple
26		105 Koothampoondi ...	Village Shrines

## SIGNIFICANT TEMPLES OF SALEM AND DHARMAPURI DISTRICTS

S. No.	No. & Name of Taluk	No. & Name of 1961 Census Unit	Name of Temple
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
27	10. Rasipuram ...	21 Puduppatti ...	Thulukka Choodamani Amman <i>alias</i> Mariamman temple
28		39 Alavoipatti ...	Balasubramaniaswami temple
29		45 Rasipuram ...	Kailasanathar temple
30		81 Bailnadu ...	Palani Andavar temple
31	11. Attur ...	15 Athapur ...	Sambamoortheeswarar temple
32		23 Aththur ...	Kaya Nirmaleswaraswami temple
33		71 Thalaivasal ...	Ayyanar temple
34		73 Aragalur ...	Kamanatheeswarar temple
35	12. Namakkal ...	31 Valappurnadu ...	Arappaliswarar temple of Kollimalai
36		85 Namakkal ...	Narasimhaswami etc. temples
37		148 Kabilarmalai ...	Balasubramaniaswami temple
38		176 Mohanur ...	Achchaladheepeswarar temple

MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN  
HOSUR & DHARMAPURI TALUKS



REFERENCE

State Boundary —————  
Taluk Boundary - - - - -

Categories of Temples and  
their Symbols.

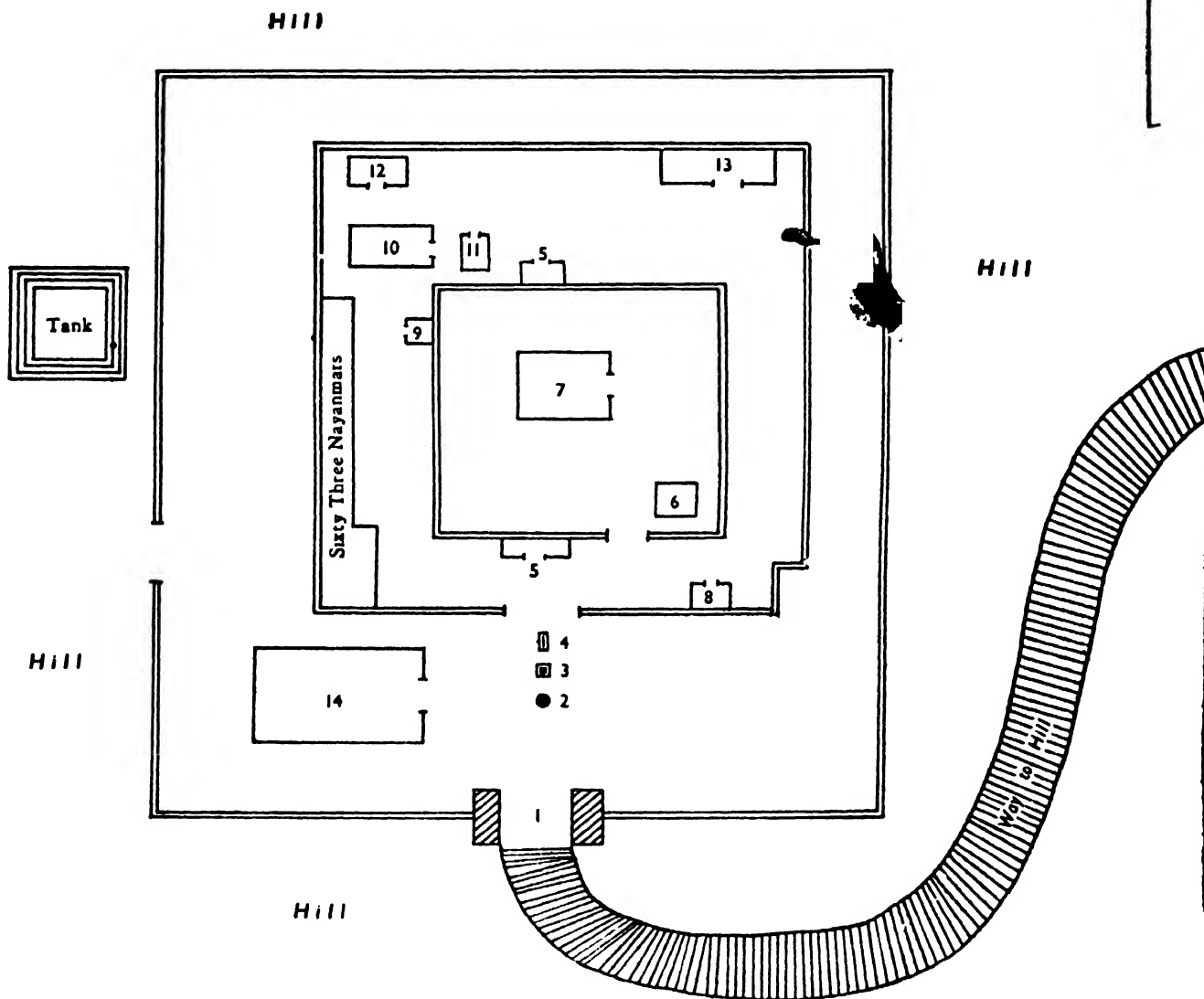
Siva ... ..	●
Vishnu ... ..	□
Murugar ... ..	■
Ganapathi ... ..	○
Amman ... ..	△
Others ... ..	●
Location Code Number	179



# SRI CHANDRA CHOODESWARASWAMY HILL TEMPLE

## HOSUR

(Not to Scale)



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| 5 Ganapathi      | 12 Yagasalai            |
| 6 Utsava Moorthy | 13 Madapalli            |
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- (Sri Chandra Choodeswarar)





## HOSUR TALUK

### 37. HOSUR

#### Chandra Choodeswaraswami temple

Hosur is located on the national highways from Bangalore to Madras. It is about 25 miles east of Bangalore, which is also the nearest Railway Station. It is the headquarters for Hosur taluk and had a population of 11,683 as on 1—3—1961. It is known for the Government Cattle Breeding Centre, the Silk Farm and the picturesque hill temple dedicated to Chandra Choodeswaraswami.

The temple is an ancient one and is on the eastern border of the town. It contains some inscriptions in Kanarese, Sanskrit, Malayalam and Telugu, which are weather-worn. It was patronised by several rulers like Gangas, Chalukyas, Cholas, Hoysalas, Vijayanagar and Mysore Kings. The temple covers an area of about three acres. A flight of about 200 foot-steps from the north-west portion of the hillock and another flight of about 180 foot-steps from south-west lead to the temple at the top of the hillock. The temple with its pathway has been electrified and is indeed a magnificent sight when illuminated. The temple faces south. It has a five tiered gopuram in the front and two prakarams. The image of the presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam facing east and is known as Chandra Choodeswarar or Choodanadheswarar. His consort is known as Maragathambal Pachchayambal or Parvadhambal and Her image is in a standing posture. There are also images for Vinayagar, Subramaniyar, Dakshinamoorthy, the four saivite saints Appar, Sambandar, Sundarar and Manickavasagar and the sixtythree Nayanmars.

Three poojas are performed in a day by a non-hereditary Brahmin. Devotees visit the temple mainly on Mondays and Fridays. The chief annual car festival is celebrated in the month of பங்குனி (Panguni or February-March) attracting a crowd of nearly 5,000 which include Kanarese from the adjoining Mysore State. There are two wooden cars considered to be fairly big in the district. The carvings of them are

elaborate. There are also brass and bronze vahanams of a horse, an elephant, Ravana and two Nandhis. All of them are claimed to be old. The value of the temple jewellery is approximately Rs. 3,000. The temple owns about 200 acres of land. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 3,299 from landed properties, levies from devotees, hundi collections etc. The temple is managed by a Executive Officer and a Board of five trustees.

There is an interesting local legend connected with the origin of the existing hillock on which stands the temple. In the remote past, தருமம் (Dharmam) or charity incarnate found that almsgiving had fallen into disrepute. So he made a pilgrimage to the banks of Dakshina Pinakini (Ponnaiyar river) at the spot in Thorapalli Agraharam Panchayat. He made 'Tapas' to Parameswaran, the Almighty, who, pleased at his prayers, granted his request that he should become the 'Vahanam' or vehicle of a deity, and turned him for that purpose into a bull (Vrishabam). The bull then prayed that, in memory of his visit to the world, a hill in the form of a bull should be created on which Vrishbathri the hillock under reference, with its head to the north and its tail to the south, was produced. The bull then prayed that Parameswaran, with Parvathi Devi, should dwell on this hill, as he did on mount Kailasa. This prayer was heard with favour, and the God, turning himself into a guana (உரும்பு) of brilliant colours, showed Himself, knowing female curiosity, to Parvathi; who started in pursuit with Her friends and companions. After a long chase, they came to Champakavanam, east of Hosur, when the Goddess at last seized the guana's tail which came off in her hand; the tail being green (மரகத வர்ணம்—Marakathavarnam) the Goddess also turned green. Feeling fatigued and thirsty after her long journey, the Goddess thought of her sister Alaganada, the Goddess of water, who generated a well, in which the travellers bathed and quenched their thirst, the water being turned green by the Goddess. The well is therefore named 'Marakatha

sarovaram' in Puranas; and this is the present Pachakulam, close by the Hosur hill, to which many curing virtues are attributed. Parvathi then resumed her pursuit, and found the God up a tree—the Champakamaram (செண்கை மரம்)—on the top of the hill. Muthugala Rishi, a devotee of the place, seeing the strange guana, summoned Utchayinar, a brother Rishi, who joined him in the chase, on which the guana disappeared. Parvathi, in wrath, turned the former dumb for having called to the latter, whom she rendered deaf for having come when called, and condemned them both to be born again in the Vedar (வேடர்) or hunter caste. Hearing, however, that they were trusty Saivas, she joined them in prayer to Parameswaran, who took the form of a Lingam and on pooja being made, emerged from the stone in his true shape, freed the Rishis from the curse, and lived happily ever after with Parvathi. The hills being covered with forests, and frequented by wild beasts, the Lingam was neglected and became covered by white-ants' nests. The Vedars, who grazed their cattle there, got into trouble daily because their cows came home with empty udders, and were suspected of having milked them. Piqued by self-interest the Vedars watched and found an Iguana going into the cell, after which the cows came and yielded their milk over it. On proceeding to remove the ants' nest, a crowbar struck on the hidden Lingam, which forthwith shed blood, at which, taking alarm, the Vedars, abandoning rough usage, gently cleared away the rubbish, and unearthed the Lingam, over which they raised a pandal, and made puja to it, after which the local chieftain built a temple where puja was performed by the Vedars. This however was thought to be irregular and so the Vedars sought and found two Brahmin brothers, enroute as pilgrims to Benares, who, taking the Vedars for robbers, hid, the one his money, and the other bones of his parents, which he was carrying to the Ganges, and which the touch of a Sudra would defile. The Vedars, however, took them forcibly, and made them do puja. While doing so, one Brahmin fell a victim to a tiger. The other Brahmin went on with his puja, deploring the loss of his companion and the interruption of his pilgrimage to Benares when the God, in a dream, told him that all purposes would be answered by throwing the bones into the Tenkasi Ganges or the Pachakulam aforesaid; and as a sign that the dream was true, told him that when exhumed, the bones would appear as flowers. The Brahmin found this to be so and having deposited

the flowers in the Marakathasaras, abided content in his priestly office. The other Brahmin who was devoured by the tiger was born again as the son of Krishna Gandharva Rayar, the chief of Anaikonda. When five years old, he explained to his father that his present birth was due to the favour of the deity, and that the pagoda on the Vrishabathri should be enlarged. The chief accordingly performed the Thulabaram ceremony, weighing himself in a scale against money bags, and gave the equivalent of his weight as an endowment to the temple. The maintenance of the pagoda afterwards devolved on the Bagalur Palaiakars.

### 155. DENKANIKOTTA

#### Betrayaswami Temple

Denkanikotta is fifteen miles south of Hosur, the taluk headquarters and is well connected by road. It is rich in forest produce. It is well known in the locality for its Betrayaswami temple. The etymology of the name of the town could be traced to the following legend associated with this temple. Kanva Maharishi who was performing penance in the neighbouring jungles was disturbed in his pious meditation by a demon called Dhevakandagan. The sage appealed to Batai Venkataramanaswami (or in short Betrayaswami), who slew the demon with his mace called Denkani. The town is named after this divine weapon.

There was a fort in this town, commanding the approaches from Dholi, Hosur, Keelamangalam and Anchitty ghat. It is also possible that the town is named after this Fort கோட்டை (kottai)—the fort in the south (Dakshina) or Denkani ketta. The ruined fort is on a hill to the west of the town proper. At present this part of the town is occupied mainly by Muslims.

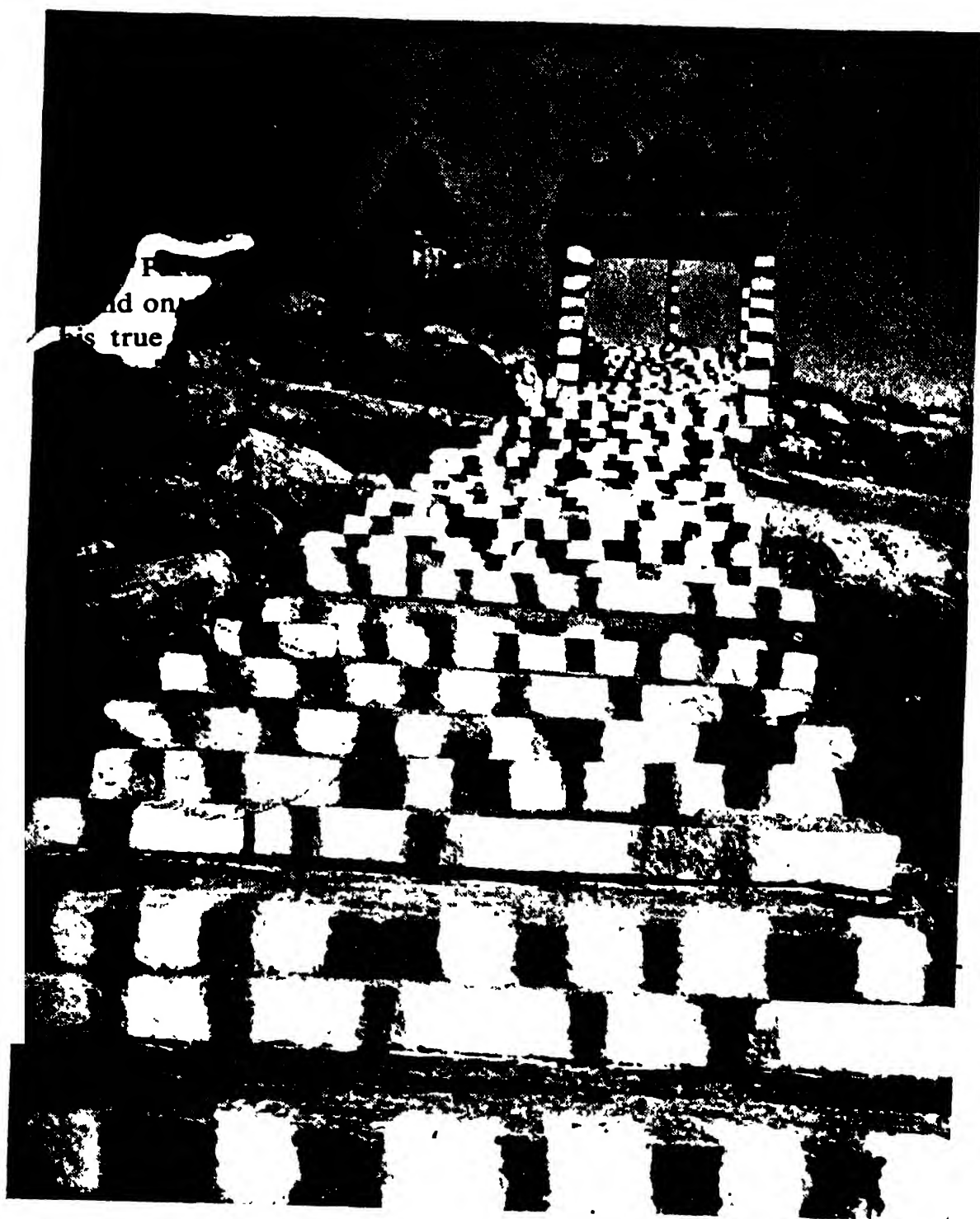
Betrayaswami temple with its tank, is about half a mile to the south-east of the town. The temple situated amidst wet lands has roads on all the four sides. The temple faces the east and has a five-tiered gopuram at the entrance. There is another three-tiered gopuram on the northern side. On the top of each of the Gopurams, there are five (கைசம்) kalasams. The design of the pagodas follows the Hoysala style of architecture. The temple is well maintained and is one of the major temples of the district. It occupies a space of nearly an acre. There is only one prakaram. The image of the presiding deity, Venkatesa Perumal,



Chandrachoodeswaraswami Temple : View from a distance.



A view of the mantapams in the temple.



Steps leading to the temple.

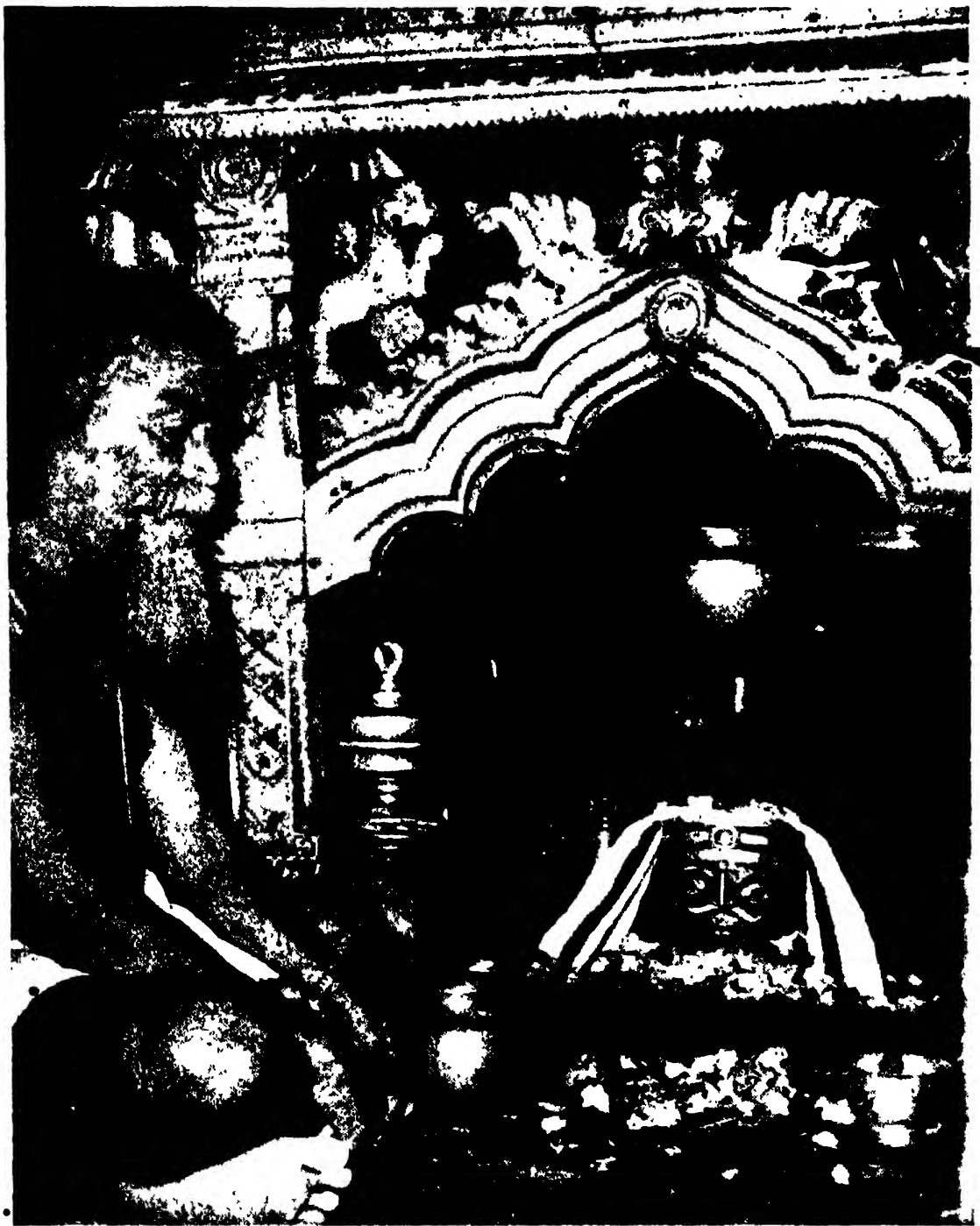


Image of Sri Chandrachoodeswarar.



Image of Sri Maragathambal.

with those of His consorts Sri-Devi and Bhoodevi are installed in the main sanctum sanctorum, with Suhanasigam, Arthamandapam, Mani mandapam and Maha mandapam. In the prakaram, there is another separate sanctum for His consort Soundaravalli Thayar with Suhanasigam, Artha Mandapam and Maha Mandapam. There are also images for Rama, Krishna, Hanuman and Alvars. Stone inscriptions are reported to exist within the temple. Arjuna, one of the Panchapandavas of the great epic Mahabaratha is said to have renovated the temple and performed Mahakumbabishekam and jeernodharanam. There seems to be a sthalapuranam in Kanarese. Every day, poojas are performed once in the morning and once in the evening, by a hereditary Vaishnava Brahmin Battachary of Thenkalai sect, following the rituals of Pancharatra Agama Sastra.

Vaikunta Ekadasi, Adi Pooram, Udayavar Uthsavam, Alwar Sathumurai and the annual car festival in the month of March-April சித்திரை (Chithirai) are celebrated in the temple. On such festive occasions, devotees from the adjoining Mysore State also visit the temple. A few devotees visit the temple on Fridays and Saturdays. As on 17—8—1961, the temple had jewellery to the value of Rs. 18,485/-, of which gold ornaments accounted for Rs. 7,546/-. The rest were made of silver. The images of the presiding deity and His consort are very impressive with these ornaments. The temple had an annual income of Rs. 3,435/- in fasli 1375. It possesses wooden vahanams like Garuda, elephant, horses etc. The temple is managed by a Board of trustees.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
1	12	Amuthukondapalli (V)	Amuthukondapalli	Sri Palagai Karagathamman temple (F)	500	Not stated	Sri Grama Karagathamman	Malur Railway station 14 miles
2	„	do	do	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Chenroyaswami	Malur Railway station 16 miles
3	14	Bagalur (P)	Bagalur	Sri Prasanna Choodanathar temple (S)	400	0.01	Sri Prasanna Choodeswarar	Malur Railway station 12 miles
4	„	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	do
5	„	do	Jeemangalam (Bagalur)	Sri Uthama Karaga Amman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Uthama Karagatheva	Malur Railway station 14 miles
6	16	Bagaiapatti (P)	Baragur (Begaipalli)	Sri Thirumalai Devar temple (O)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Thirumalai Devar	Bangalore Railway station 20 miles
7	17	Nallur (P)	Nallur	Sri Gengai Amman temple (F)	200	0.01	Sri Gangali Amman	Malur Railway station 13 miles
8	„	do	do	Sri Basavana Devar temple (O)	100	Not stated	Sri Basavana Devar	Malur Railway station



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

200 •	0.41	3.45	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin Poosari	Navarathri	...	No
200	0.50	4.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin			No
508	1.00	..	...	...	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Chithirai Pournami Sankara Jayanthi Vijayadasami Arudhra Dharisanam Gokulashtami Karthigai Deepam	...	No
525	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
800	Extent not stated			...	...	100	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Garagam Festival once in two years	...	No
1,200	0.78	7.70	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Purattasi Festival	...	No
420	7.99	55.24	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Cappu Poosari	Amman Festival once in 5 years	...	No
230	1.24	16.32	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Ugadhi Vinayaga Chathurthi Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
9	17	Nallur (P)	Nallur	Sri Thirumalai Devar le (O)	100	Not stated	Sri Thirumalai Devar	do
10	21	Nariganapuram (V)	Nariganapuram (Berigai)	Sri Malleswaraswami temple (S)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Malleswaraswami	Malur Railway station
11				Sri Basaveswaraswami temple (S)			Sri Basaveswaraswami	
12	22	Berigai (P)	Berigai	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	300	0.40	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Malur Railway station 14 miles
13	34	Avalapalli (P)	Avalapalli	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	Not known	0.03	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	Bangalore Railway station 30 miles
14				Sri Thirumal Thevar temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Krishnaswami	
15	35	Zuzuvadi (P)	Bedarapalli	Sri Tirumalleswami temple (S)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Thirumalleswami	Bangalore Railway station 20 miles
16	..	do	Zuzuvadi (Hosur)	Sri Hanumantharayaswami temple (O)	150	0.03	Sri Hanumantharayaswami	Malur Railway station

## TALUK (Contd.)

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

400	0.71	8.12	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300	...	...	...	5.19	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
225	...	...	10.00	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
250	2.00	...	...	5.00	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
250	1.00	...	...	3.00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
200	0.68	5.26	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
1,030	2.30	22.97	...	...	...	62	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Hanumantha Jayanthi Karthigai Deepam Ugadhi	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
17	36	Mookondapalli (P)	Begapalli (Mookondapalli)	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	150	0.01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	Bangalore Railway station 20 miles
18				Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	200	0.01	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	
19	37	Hosur (P)	Hosur (Ramanaicken Tank)	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	800	0.05	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	Malur Railway station 21 miles
20	„	do	Hosur	Sri Nageswarar temple (S)	150	0.03	Sri Nageswaraswami	do
21				Sri Varadarajar temple (V)			Sri Varadarajaswami	
22	37	Hosur (P)	Hosur	Sri Kadukkal Venkataramanaswamy temple (V)	200	0.10	Sri Kadukkal Venkataramanaswamy	Malur Railway station 21 miles
23				Sri Kottai Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	200	0.01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	
24				Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Varadarajaswami	

## TALUK (Contd.).

Annual income assessed for Fash 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

8.9	3.04	7.90	...	...	...	...	Surya Prabhai	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Jayantini	...	No
1,250	1.17	14.78	...	...	...	...	Garudan Surya Prabhai	Once a week by a hereditary Archagar	Gokulashtami Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
240	...	...	25.00	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
1,113	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
	1.00	8.00	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Archagar	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
300	1.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No

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<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
25	37	Hosur (P)	Hosur	Sri Sankaranarayana-wami temple (S)	600	0.02	Sri Sankaranarayanaswami	Malur Railway station 21 miles
26				Sri Kasi Viswanathaswamy temples (S)			Sri Kasiviswanathaswamy	
27	„	do	do	Sri Kalikamba Kamadheeswarar temple (S)	400	0.10	Sri Kalikamba Kamadheeswaraswamy	do
28	„	do	do	Sri Kothandaramar temple (V)	70	1.00	Sri Kothandaramaswamy	do
29	„	do	do	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Someswarar	do
30	„	do	do	Sri Chandrachoodeswaraswamy temple (S)	1000	3.00	Sri Chandra Choodeswaraswamy	do
31	„	do	do	Sri Venugopala-swamy temple (V)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Venugopala-swamy	Malur Railway station
32	„	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Pattalamman	Malur Railway station

## TALUK (Contd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
600	2'00	20'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Navarathri Sivarathri Mayaga Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
789	3'00	13'00	...	Tamarind Trees-2	...	80	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Archagar	Navarathri Sivarathri Adi Krithigai	...	No
486	1'00	9'00	...	...	...	617	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Sri Rama Navami	...	No
500	1'85	12'65	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
3,299	...	...	...	20'00	...	3,000	Cars-2 Nandi Horse Elephant Rishabam (Brass)	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Sivarathri Car Festival Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
210	3'36	0'87	...	Shops-2	...	115	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
300	...	...	16'00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Pattalamman Festival in Panguni	...	No

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<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
33	37	Hosur (P)	Hosur	Sri Panchalingeswar temple (S)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Panchalingeswarar	Malur Railway station 21 miles
34	40	Athimugam (P)	ugam	Sri Iravatheswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.60	Sri Iravatheswarar	Malur Railway station 18 miles
35				Sri Alageswarar temple (S)			Sri Alageswarar	
36	49	Chennathur (P)	Chennathur (Chowda Chowdran)	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Pattalamman	Malur Railway station 25 miles
37	50	Kothagondapalli (P)	Kothakondapalli	Sri Venugopalaswamy temple (V)	150	0.03	Sri Vengugopala-swamy	Bangalore Railway station 23 miles
38				Sri Timmaroyaswamy temple (V)			Sri Timmaroya-swamy	
39	„	do	Bommandapalli	Sri Malleswaraswamy temple (S)	Not known	0.10	Sri Malleswaraswamy	Bangalore Railway station 25 miles
40	„	do	Bommandapalli (Kothakondapalli)	Sri Uthamakaraga Amman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Uthama Karagamman	do
41				Sri Balagai Karaga Amman temple (V)			Sri Balagai Karagamman	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

200	0.42	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
299	...	...	...	Dastic allowance Rs. 80	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Ugadhi Sivarathri	...	No
268	0.35	12.61	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
418	4.17	19.37	...	...	}	...	302	Garudan Horse	Twice a week by a Poosari	Sivarathri Dasara	No
	...	...	...	4.09							
480	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sivarathri	...	No
500	...	...	13.81	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	*Karaga Festival	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
42	52	Onnalvadi (P)	Dhonna- by - by	Sri Karaga Devar (Uthamakaraga temple (O))	500	0.02	Sri Karaga Devar	Malur Railway station 23 miles
43	54	Kamandoddi (P)	Cheppadi (Kamandoddi)	Sri Venkataramanaswamy temple (V)	800	0.92	Sri Venkataramanaswamy	Malur Railway station 26 miles
44	„	do	do	Sri Srinivasa Perumal temple (V)	400	0.03	Sri Srinivasa Perumal	Malur Railway station 34 miles
45	„	do	Gopasamudram	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	300	0.02	Sri Lakshmi Venkataramanaswami	Malur Railway station 40 miles
46	„	do	Pattanakottah	Sri Seetharama Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.40	Sri Seetharama Anjaneyaswami	Malur Railway station 32 miles
47	„	do	Palayakottai (Kamandoddi)	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.30	Sri Varadarajaswami	do
48	63	Chembarasanapalli (P)	Samhasanapalli (Thoolagiri)	Sri Uthamakaraga Sakkiamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Uthamakaraga Sakkiamman	Malur Railway station 30 miles
49	„	do	do	Sri Balagai Karaga Sakkiamman temple (F)	160	0.30	Sri Balagai Karaga Sakkiamman	Kamachandiram Railway station

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Annual income assessed for 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Ra.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## nd Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

200	...	7.03	...	...	...	130	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Navarathri Ugadi Sankaranthi	...	No
	...	...	2.00	...	...	1,000	Horse Sesham Hanumar Garudan	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Navarathri Garudotsavam Chithra Pournami	...	No
248	...	3.90	...	...	...	200	Prabhai Elephant Garudan Sesham Anjaneyar Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sankaranthi Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Chithra Pournami	...	Yes
850	0.75	6.00	...	...	...	150	Chandra-Prabhai	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
420	...	...	11.04	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
200	...	...	14.16	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
800	...	27.41	...	...	...	600	Horses	Once a week by a Poosari	Karaga Festival once in 3 years	...	No
300	...	10.38	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Dasara	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
50	67	Pasthalapalli (V)	Angasagiri Kottur (Belagundapalli)	Sri Thimmaroya-swami temple (O)	800	1.17	Sri Thimmaroya-swami	Tiruppathur Railway station
51	69	Shulagiri (P)	Shulagiri	Sri Varadaraja temple (V)	400	1.00	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Malur Railway station
52	79	Nagondapalli	Nagondapalli (Mathagiri)	Sri Uthamakara-gamman temple (F)	75	0.02	Sri Uthamakara-gamman	Malur Railway station 21 miles
53	89	do	Chinnakodi-palli	Sri Sembada Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	80	0.02	Sri Sembada Anjaneyaswami	Malur Railway station 30 miles
54	90	Kalugondapalli (P)	Kalugondapalli (Paddahalukondapalli)	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	150	Not stated	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	Malur Railway station 29 miles
55	..	do	do	Sri Uthamakara-gamman temple (F)	Not known	0.01	Sri Uthamakara-gamman	Malur Railway station 28 miles
56	90	Kalugondapalli (P)	Kalugondapalli	Sri Bettamma temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Bettamma	Malur Railway station 35 miles
57	91	Belagoundapalli (P)	Pedda Balagondapalli	Sri Adhinarayaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Adhinarayaswami	Malur Railway station 27 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1379 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

500	2.17	...	...	...	...	150	Car Ratham Garudan	Daily poojas by a hereditary Brahmin	Radhotsavam Brahmotsavam Vasanthotsavam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
839	...	...	22.00	...	...	...	Horse Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
800	1.46	20.59	...	...	...	50	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
500	0.50	3.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
300	1.00	7.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
206	0.32	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari (Marasakudyandi)	Karaga Yathra	...	No
224	0.50	10.00	...	...	...	50	Horse	Once a year by a hereditary Kangani Poosari	Sankaranthi	...	No
222	0.72	5.40	...	...	...	60	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
58	91	Belagounda-palli (P)	Pedda Bala-gondapalli	Sri Uthamakaragai amman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Gerigamma	Malur Railway station 21 miles
59	„	do		Sri Balagai Karaga Amman temple (F)	200	Below 0·01	Sri Balagai Karagamman	Malur Railway station 27 miles
60	92	Muthugana-palli (P)	Mukasi Berandur	Sri Karaga Devar temple (O)	200	0·03	Sri Karagamman	Malur Railway station 32 miles
61	„	do	do	Sri Chennakesava-swami temple (V)	200	0·31	Sri Chennakesavaswami	do
62	100	Samanapalli (V)	Samanapalli (Cheppadi)	Sri Thirumalli Devar temple (O)	Not known	0·02	Sri Thirumalli Devar	Malur Railway station 35 miles
63	„	do	do	Sri Thimmaroyaswami temple (V)	150	0·01	Sri Thimmaroyaswami	Malur Railway station 40 miles
64	„	do	no	Sri Veerabadraswami temple (O)	Not known	0·01	Sri Veerabadraswami	Malur Railway station 35 miles
65	„	do	do	Sri Uthamakaraga Sakkiyamman temple (F)	Not known	0·02	Sri Uthamakaraga Sakkiyamman	do
66	101	Sulapatti (V)	Modugelpatti	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	Malur Railway station 36 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,000	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Grama Jathira in March—April	...	No
250	0.30	9.38	...	...	...	100	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Harijan	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
300	...	17.37	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Festival in Chithirai	...	No
200	...	13.53	...	...	...	...	Garudan Horse	Daily Poojas by a hereditary Brahmin	Dasara	...	No
...	...	...	15.90	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	0.75	10.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Lingayat	No	...	No
500	...	...	12.22	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
500	...	...	14.96	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Goundar	No	...	No
200	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Dasar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
67	107	Enusonai (P)	Enusonai	Sri Uthamakaraga Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	0.01	Sri Uthama Sakkiamman	Malar Railway station 37 miles
68				Sri Balagai Karaga temple (F)			Sri Balagai Karagamman	
69	107	Enusonai (P)	Enusonai	Sri Basavannar temple (O)	Not known	0.01	Sri Basavannan	Malur Railway station 37 miles
70	108	do	B. Kothapalli	Sri Uthamakaraga Selliamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Uthama-karaga Selli-amman	Malur Railway Station 45 miles
71	„	do	do	Sri Balagai Karaga Amman temple (F)	180	Below 0.01	Sri Balagai Karagamman	do
72	113	Keelamangalam (P)	Keelamangalam	Sri Gangai Amman temple (F)	Not known	0.03	Sri Gangai Amman	Malur Railway station 31 miles
73	„	do	do	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	800	0.50	Sri Chenroya-swamy	Malur Railway station
74	„	do	do	Sri Virupaksheswarar temple (S)	80	0.09	Sri Virupaksheswarar	Malur Railway station 31 miles
75				Sri Kasi Viswanathar temple (S)	80	0.11	Sri Kasi Viswanathar	
76	„	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswamy temple (O)	800	0.50	Sri Anjaneya-swamy	Malur Railway station



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)


250	...	...	9.93	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Lingayat	Karaga Festival	...	No
200											
288	...	...	7.67	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300	0.69	10.17	...	...	...	150	...	Once a year by a hereditary Lingayat	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
200	...	4.70	...	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a hereditary Lingayat	Vaikasi Pournami	...	No
200	...	12.54	...	Garden 1.31	...	125	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vokkaliga	Karaga Festival in Chithirai	...	No
800	...	...	...	14.83	...	112	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Archagar	...	...	No
250	...	8.35	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Mahasivarathri Sankaranthi Dasara Deenavali	...	No
...	...	2.96	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Archagar			
200	...	...	...	15.07	...	...	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
77	116	Saragapalli (P)	Saragapalli	Sri Bavanthi Mari-amman temple (F)	140	0.10	Sri Bavanthi-ammal Karagam	Malur Railway station 32 miles
78	„	do	„	Sri Uthama Gangai Amman temple (F)	80	0.02	Sri Uthama Gangai Amman	Malur Railway station 30 miles
79	117	Mathagounda-palli (P)	Madakounda-palli	Sri Baskaralakshmi temple (F)	700	0.03	Sri Baskaralakshmi	Malur Railway station 29 miles
80				Sri Venkataramana-swami temple (V)			Sri Venkatarama-swami	
81	118	Devaganapalli (P)	Sanapaganapalli	Sri Karagamman temple (F)	60	Below 0.01	Sri Karagamman	Bangalore Railway station 35 miles
82	„	do	Sanapaganapalli (Devagenapalli Tarappu)	Sri Basuveswaraswami temple (S)	70	Below 0.01	Sri Basuveswara-swami	do
83	„	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Anjaneya-swami	do
84	120	Chudasandi-ram (P)	Dasiripalli	Sri Adhinarayana-swami temple (V)	Not known	0.11	Sri Adhinarayana-swami	Bangalore Railway station 32 miles
85	123	Thalli (P)	Athalvadi (Thalli)	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.01	Sri Anjaneya-swami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

}	630	2.20	10.85	...	...	...	...	...		Karaga Festival	...	No
	333	...	...	...	House-1 Choultry-1	...	485	Ratham Car Garudan Horse Lion Elephant Hanumans-2 Swan	...	Rathotsavam Ugadhi Gokulashtami Navarathri Sankaranthi	...	No
	500	0.88	5.12	...	...	...	150	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Ugadhi	...	No
	600	0.84	7.07	...	...	...	...	Rishabam	Once a week by a Lingayat	Sivarathri	...	No
	500	...	7.40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
	500	...	25.00	...	...	...	...	Car	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Ugadhi	...	No
	200	...	6.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No



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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
86	123	Thalli (P)	Thalli	Sri Gengai Viswanathar temple (S)	250	0.01	Sri Kasi Viswanathaswami	Bangalore Railway station 32 miles
87	„	do		Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	500	0.15	Sri Venugopala-swami	do
88	„	do	do	Sri Kannika Parameswari amman temple (F)	25	0.05	Sri Kannika Parameswari amman	Bangalore Railway station 3+ miles
92	135	Mallasandiram (P)	Mallasandiram (Thimmanapalli)	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	do
90	141	do	Thimjapalli	Sri Basuveswaraswami temple (O)	250	Below 0.01	Sri Basuveswaraswami	Malur Railway station 38 miles
91	„	do	do	Sri Uthamakaramman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Uthamakaramman	do
92	149	Royacottah (P)	Rayakottai	Sri Someswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.70	Sri Someswaraswami	Bangalore Railway station 45 miles
93				Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	700	0.55	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	
94	„	do	Echanahalli	Sri Thimmaroyaswami temple (O)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Thimmaroyaswami	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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377	0.19	15.65	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
	...	...	...	...	Dastic allowance 377	...	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Festival in Chithirai-Vaikasi	...	No
289	...	...	...	Choultry Garden Shops-4 House-1	...	...	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Brahmin	Vijayadasami Chithira Pournami	...	No
200	0.35	2.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Hanumantha Jayanthi	...	No
450	0.18	13.99	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Lingayat	No	...	No
600	...	24.77	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellala Gounder	Once in 5 or 10 Years	...	No
288	...	...	...	...	...	73	Prabhavali Ravapan	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Arudhra Dharisanam Sankaranthi Navarathri	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	300	Chapparam	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Sankaranthi Vijayadasami Sivarathri	...	Yes
388	3.93	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
95	151	Gummanur (P)	Ayithandha- palli (Gummanur)	Sri Basaveswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.02	Sri Basaveswara- swami	Morappur Railway station 45 miles
96	154	Bevunatham (P)	Bevunatham	Sri Venkataramana- swami temple (V)	Not known	0.50	Sri Venkatarama- naswami	do
97	155	Denkanikottah (P)	Denkanikottah	Sri Battaroyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.50	Sri Bettaroya- swami	Bangalore Railway station 40 miles
98				Sri Devaroyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.50	Sri Devaroya- swami	
99	„	do	do	Sri Cholakatha Hanu- mantharoyar temple (O)	Not known	0.03	Sri Cholakatha Hanumantharoyar	do
100	„	do	Sempathapalli (Denkani- kottah)	Sri Uthamakar temple (O)	800	0.02	Sri Uthamagari- gai	do
101				Sri Balakaragai Amman temple (F)	800	Below 0.01	Sri Balakaragai Amman	
102	157	Thavarakkarai (P)	Thavarakkarai	Sri Venugopalaswamy temple (V)	500	0.06	Sri Venugopala Krishnar	Malur Railway station 40 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

2 461	...	...	...	Tamarind Trees-15 Coconut Trees-40	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Lingayat	Sivarathri Dasara	...	No
500	...	...	19.26	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	...	...	No
3,435	...	...	...	...	18,485	...	Car Lion Garudans-2 Seshan Horse Hanumans-2 Elephant Chandra Prabhai	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Brahmotsavam Adi Pooram	...	Yes
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Thiruvathirai Sankara Jayanthi	...	No
784	11.89	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Hanumantha Jayanthi	...	No
...	...	3.82	...	...	...	...	Horse Prabhavali	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Ugadhi Sankaranthi Navarathri	...	No
242	...	5.86	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Harijan	Ugadhi Sankaranthi Navarathri	...	No
200	1.55	34.07	...	...	...	...	Horse Garudan	...	Dasara Sivarathri Sri Rama Navami Tamil New Years Day	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
103	174	Salivaram (P)	Salivaram	Sri Chenroyaswamy temple (V)	500	0·17	Sri Chennakeswaraswamy	Bangalore Railway station 50 miles
104	„	do	do	Sri Someswaraswamy temple (S)	500	0·08	Sri Someswaraswamy	Bangalore] Railway station 50 miles
105	177	Kumuducotta (P)	Mallikarjuna-durgam	Sri Mallikarjuneswara temple (S)	300	0·20	Sri Mallikarjuneswarar	Malur Railway station
106	179	Anchetty (P)	Anjetty	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanaswamy temple (V)	250	0·02	Sri Venkataramanaswamy	Malur Railway station 50 miles
107	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0·02	Sri Mariamman	do
108	„	do	Devagoundaddi	Sri Sivalingeswarar temple (Sarvalingeswarar) (S)	Not known	0·05	Sri Sivalingeswarar	Bangalore Railway station
109	„	do	Marialam	Sri Karithimmaroyaswamy temple (V)	Not known	0·02	Sri Karithimmaroyaswamy	do



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

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500	1.24	23.58	...	...	...	800	Hanuman Garudan Horse	...	Sri Rama Navami Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Ratha Saphami	...	No
300	0.37	5.73	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sivarathri	...	No
312	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Daily poojas performed by a Brahmin	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Sankaranthi Sivarathri Ugathi	308-309 of 1955-56	...
*250	0.10	11.97	...	...	...	...	...	Daily poojas performed by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Krishna Jayanthi Ratha Saphami	...	No
250	...	12.20	...	...	...	215	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	...	...	No
800	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	...	...	No
315	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	...	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	17	Nallur (P)	Nallur	Sri Chinna Balagai Gerigaiamman temple (F)	150	Not stated	Sri Chinna Gerigaiamman	Malur Railway station 13 miles
2				Sri Periya Balagai Gerigaiamman temple (F)			Sri Periya Gerigaiamman	
3				Sri Chinna Uthama Gerigaiamman temple (F)			Sri Chinna Gerigaiamman	
4				Sri Periya Uthama Gerigaiamman temple (F)			Sri Periya Gerigaiamman	
5	52	Onnalvadi (P)	Onnalvadi Tharappu Jonabonda	Sri Uthamakarigai temple (F)	125	0.05	Sri Uthamakarigai	Malur Railway station 20 mile
6	69	Shulagiri (P)	Shulagiri	Sri Kasi Visweswarar temple (S)	400	0.04	Sri Kasi Visweswarar	Malur Railway station 41 miles
7	77	Bairamangalam (P)	Bairamangalam	Sri Venkataswamy temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Gopalaswami	Malur Railway station 27 miles
8	90	Kalukondapalli (P)	Kalukondapalli	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Malur Railway station 28 miles
9	98	Beerjapalli (P)	Beerjapalli	Sri Venugopalaswamy temple (V)	350	Below 0.01	Sri Venugopalaswamy	Malur Railway station 30 miles
10				Sri Hanumantharoyaswamy temple (O)			Sri Hanumantharoyaswamy	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
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800	7.69	47.77	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Gerigaiamman Festival Navarathri Sivarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Sankaranthi	...	No
...	...	4.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
250	125.48	5.48	...	...	...	500	Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Sivarathri Sankaranthi Arudhra Dharisanam	...	Yes
150	...	...	...	8.09	...	...	Garudan Palanquin	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Ugadhi Sri Rama Navami	...	No
1,000	...	...	18.00	...	...	100	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vokkaliyar	Sri Pattalamman Festival	...	No
...	...	...	4.00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
...	0.10	1.00	...	...	...	...	...				

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
11	108	Ullati (V)	B. Kothapalli	Sri Uthamakaraga Sakkiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Uthamakaraga Sakkiamman	Malur Railway station 36 miles
12	113	Keelamangalam (P)	Keelamangalam	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	100	0.08	Sri Pattalamman	Malur Railway station 31 miles
13	120	Chudasandiram (P)	Chudasandiram	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	300	0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Malur Railway station 22 miles
14	123	Thalli (P)	Thalli	Sri Kasivisweswarar temple (S)	150	0.05	Sri Kasivisweswarar	Bangalore Railway station 34 miles
15	165	Palayamcottai (P)	Palayamcottai (Gollapalli)	Sri Subramania-swamy temple (M)	150	0.01	Sri Subramania-swamy	Malur Railway station 50 miles
16	"	do	Palayamcottai (Doddi)	Sri Thukkalamman temple (F)	150	0.03	Sri Thukkalamman	do

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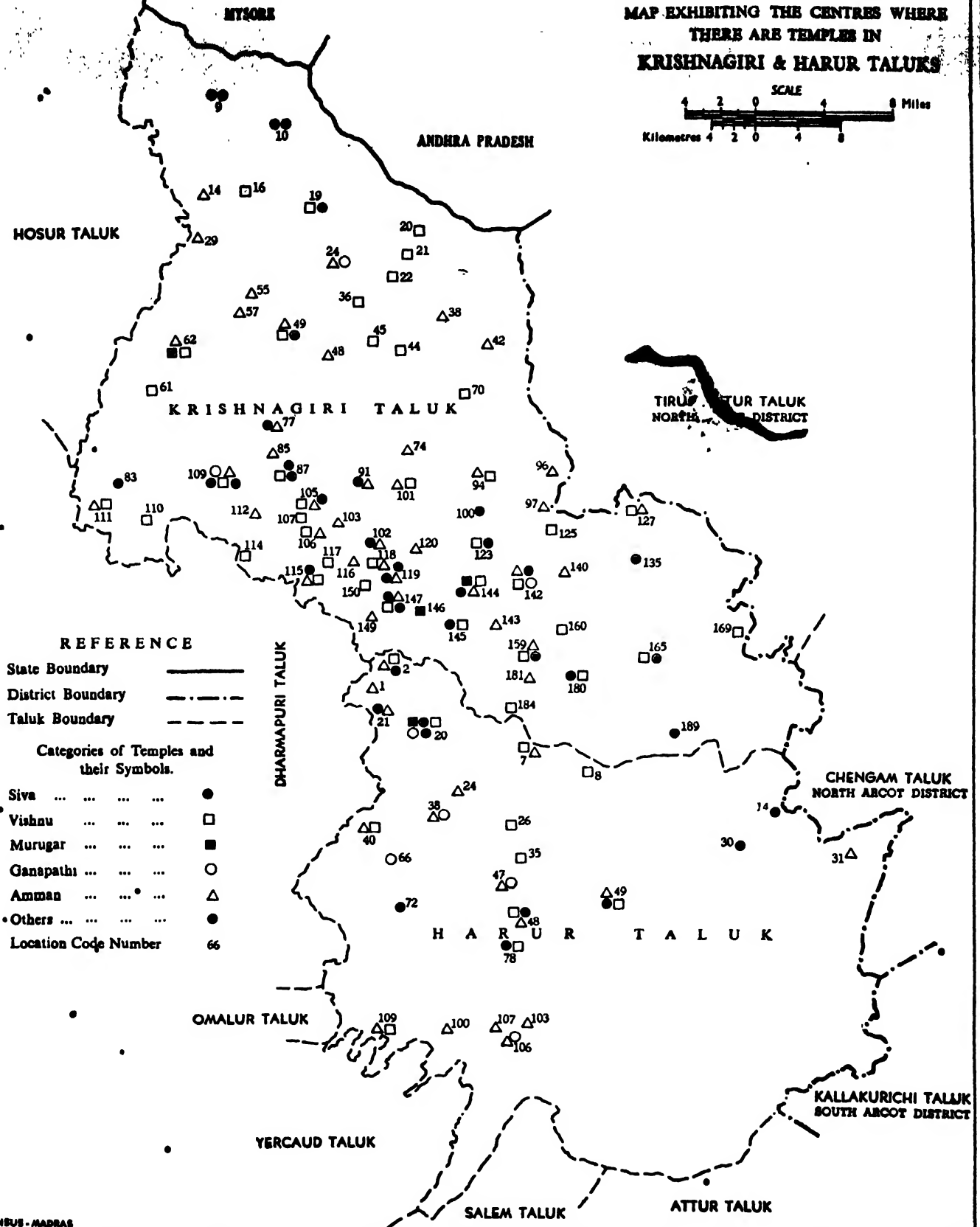
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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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300	0.42	10.47	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
800	0.68	10.86	...	...	...	...	Ratham	Thrice a week by a hereditary Kappu	Sankaramuni Ugadhi	...	No
...	0.35	12.61	...	...	...	20	Horse	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Ugadhi	...	No
1,000	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	150	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Vijaya Dhasami	...	No
...	0.37	2.25	...	...	...	200	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Vijaya Dhasami	...	No



MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN  
KRISHNAGIRI & HARUR TALUKS



REFERENCE

State Boundary ———  
District Boundary - - - - -  
Taluk Boundary - - - - -

Categories of Temples and  
their Symbols.

Siva ... .. ●  
Vishnu ... .. □  
Murugar ... .. ■  
Ganapathi ... .. ○  
Amman ... .. △  
Others ... .. ●  
Location Code Number 66





## KRISHNAGIRI TALUK

### 97. SEVVAMPATTI

#### Poongavanaththamman temple

Temples dedicated to Goddess Shakthi in Her different forms are common in the rural areas since people have implicit faith in Her powers to protect them from evils and diseases. Poongavanaththamman temple at Sevvampatti is one such temple.

Sevvampatti is about 20 miles about south-east of Krishnagiri, the taluk headquarters, 25 miles north-east of Dharmapuri on the road leading to Tiruppattur and about 5 miles from Kakangarai the nearest railway station. It is a rural Panchayat with 358 houses occupied by 363 house-holds consisting of 1,818 persons at the time of 1961 Census. Some 200 years back a fisherman noticed an ant-hill in the oven. He tampered with it, after which he was infected with leprosy. In his dreams, the Goddess made him realise that the ant-hill is none other than her own self and any attempts to destroy it will result in incurable infections and epidemics in the locality. Being frightened at the consequences of infuriating the all powerful Goddess, the fisherman constructed this temple for the ant-hill and his leprosy was cured. Subsequently, a few merchants belonging to Senai Thalaivar Community took shelter at this temple on their way to sell their merchandise of pepper and cumin seed (உரகம்). Poongavanaththamman, the presiding deity of the temple approached them in the form of an old woman suffering from acute

stomach ache and asked for a little pepper and cumin seed to get herself cured. The merchants told her that their merchandise consisted only of Cholam and Cumbu. Afterwards, when they opened their bags in their negotiations for sale, they were shocked to find Cholam and Cumbu in the place of pepper and cumin seed. Realising that the goddess had taught them a lesson, they spent the whole sale proceeds towards the renovation and reconstruction of the temple. Poongavanaththamman, otherwise known as Thandeswari is represented by an image of about 3 ft. installed Lingam. Daily poojas are performed in the month of December-January (Margazhi). During other months, poojas are performed only on Mondays by a non-hereditary priest belonging to the fisherman community. Sivarathri in the month of February-March (Masi) is the most important and sacred occasion, which attracts as many as 2,000 devotees. On that occasion the festival image of the presiding deity is taken in procession to Rudra Bhoomi (உருத்திர பூமி) Sudalai (சுடலை) or the grave yard. The image is brought back to the temple on the New Moon Day in a grand procession, which includes folk dances like (கரகம்) Karagam and dummy horse dance. On such occasions, if ghost-ridden people attend the festivity, some of the ardent devotees get inspired and whip the ghost-ridden severely, when the ghosts get terrified and fly away from the persons whom they possessed. The temple owns about 2.75 acres of dry land. In fasli 1375, it had an annual income of Rs. 200. It is managed by a single trustee.

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	9	Manavarna-palli (P)	Manavarna-	Sri Pithuveswarar temple (S)	500	0·01	Sri Pithuveswaraswami	Kamasamudram Railway station 12 miles
2				Sri Someswarar temple (S)	500	0·01	Sri Someswaraswami	
3	„	do	do	Sri Uthamakaragar temple (O)	60	Below 0·01	Sri Uthamakaraswami	do
4	10	Chigarama-ganapalli (P)	Bothimuthulu	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)	20	0·20	Sri Nageswaraswami	Samalpatti Railway station
5	„	do	Konganapalli	Sri Uthamakaraga Devar temple (O)	100	0·02	Sri Uthamakaraga Devar	Gudupalli Railway station 7 miles
6	14	Chennasandiram (P)	Varachandram	Sri Puthreswari temple (F)	300	Not stated	Sri Puthreswari	Kamasamudram Railway station 16 miles
7				Sri Beriamman temple (F)			Sri Beriamman	
8	19	Naralpatti (P)	Egalnatham	Sri Kadir Narasingaswami temple (V)	150	0·03	Sri Kadir Narasingaswami	Kuppam Railway station 18 miles
9				Sri Malleswaraswami temple (S)		0·03	Sri Malleswaraswami	

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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200	...	...	...	67'00	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
	...	...	...	7'35	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
500	...	41'68	...	Tamarind Trees	...	1,000	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
210	Extent not stated			...	...	60	Car	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
200	...	8'25	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
586	0'34	9'92	...	...	...	144	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
350	...	14'44	...	...	...	500	...	...	Sri Rama Navami	...	No
300											

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	19	Naralpatti (P)	Magarajakada	Sri Seshachaleswarar temple (S)	300	0.15	Sri Seshachaleswarar	Samalpatti Railway station 25 miles
11	..	do	do	Sri Kothandaramaswamy temple (V)	100	0.15	Sri Kothandaramaswamy	do
12	20	Guruvinayanapalli (P)	Garavinayagampalli	Sri Thimmaroyar temple (V)	500	0.50	Sri Thimmaroyar	Kuppam Railway station 10 miles
13	21	Chinnamatarapalli (P)	Mudukkam-palli	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	200	0.02	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Kuppam Railway station 11 miles
14	24	do	Mekalachinnampalli	Sri Vinayakaswamy temple (G)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayakaswamy	Kuppam Railway station 18 miles
15	29	Beemandapalli (P)	Beemandapalli (Near Garapara-palli)	Sri Uthamakaraga Amman temple (F)	Not known	0.03	Sri Uthamakaramman	Samalpatti Railway station 32 miles
16	36	Kammampalli (P)	Kannampalli (Douldabad)	Sri Venkataramanaswamy temple (V)	200	0.40	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 20 miles
17	38	Medepalli (P)	Kathikuppam	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Tiruppattur Railway station 19 miles

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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
300	...	...	...	8'00	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
400	Extent not stated			...	...	10	Garudan Prabhavalli	...	Sri Rama Navami Navarathri	...	No
500	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naidu	No	...	No
300	...	4'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
503	...	5'23	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
500	...	12'00	...	...	...	1,500	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi 18th Day	...	No
249	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	6'42	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
18	42	Mallapadi (P)	Malappadi (Via Ramgur.)	Sri Muthalamman temple (F)	150	0.01	Sri Muthalamman	Tirupattur Railway station 15 miles
19	44	Balinayana-palli (P)	Chettyalli (Balinayana-palli Majara)	Sri Kathari Perumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Kathari Perumal	Tirupattur Railway station 20 miles
20	48	do	Pethananpalli	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Kuppam Railway station 20 miles
21	49	Krishnagiri (P)	Bogampalli	Sri Venugopala Krishnaswami temple (V)	300	0.25	Sri Navaneetha Venugopala Krishnar	Samalpatti Railway station 24 miles
22	..	do	Douldabad	Sri Navaneetha Venugopalaswami alias Sri Krishnaswami temple (V)	100	0.12	Sri Nava neetha Venugopala-swami	Samalpatti Railway station 17 miles
23	..	do	do	Sri Prasanna Parvathysametha Chandramouleeswarar temple (S)	150	0.92	Sri Prasanna Parvathysametha Chandramouleeswarar	Samalpatti Railway station 24 miles
24	..	do	Krishnagiri (Bengali St.)	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V)	800	0.28	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami	do
25	..	do	Krishnagiri (Oldpet)	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V)	400	0.50	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 17 miles

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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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200	...	6.62	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Mudaliar	Amman Festival	...	No
212	...	9.50	...	Tamarind trees-2	...	...	Garudan Horse	No Poojas	No	...	No
200	2.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
232	...	8.00	...	...	...	...	Rathams-3 Vahanams-3	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
500	...	8.00	...	...	9,692	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
463	...	...	...	Tamarind Garden 2.00 Flower Gardens 0.30	...	...	Horse Rishabam Sesham	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Navarathri Ugadhi	...	Yes
300	1.14	...	...	...	...	...	Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Gokulashtami Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	Yes
326	...	1.25	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri	...	Yes

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
26	49	Krishnagiri (P)	Krishnagiri	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	46	0.06	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Samalpatti Railway station 17 miles
27	„	do	Papparapatty	Sri Samundiamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Samundiamman	do
28	55	Kuntharapalli (P)	Kuntharapalli	Sri Palliamman temple (F)	400	0.04	Sri Palliamman	Samalpatti Railway station 29 miles
29	57	Thippanapalli (P)	Dasarapalli (Sembanathur)	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Samalpatti Railway station 25 miles
30				Sri Dedukaragamman temple (F)			Sri Dedukaragamman	
31	61	Alapatti (P)	Nakkalapalli (Chandrapalli)	Sri Kadiri Perumal temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Kadiri Perumal	Royakottah Railway station 9 miles
32	62	Agaram (P)	Agaram	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	150	0.10	Sri Selliamman	Kallavi Railway station 17 miles
33	„	do	do	Sri Subramania-swamy temple (M)	40	0.06	Sri Subramania-swamy	Dasampatti Railway station 16 miles
34	„	do	do	Sri Varadarajaswamy temple (V)	250	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Dasampatti Railway station 15 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,645	...	0.45	...	Shops-4 Houses-3	...	600	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Rama Navami Amman Festival	...	No
400	...	6.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
200	2.50	30.00	...	...	...	200	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
	...	...	...	7.00							
350					...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
	...	...	...	3.00							
500	...	3.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
379	3.15	4.31	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Navarathri	...	No
1,000	0.75	...	...	Coconut Trees 300	...	147	Peacock Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
394	3.50	17.75	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Garudotsavam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
35	70	Kandappanayam palli (P)	Agamudinagam	Sri Perumalswamy temple (V)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Perumal	Samalatti Railway station 20 miles
36	74	Ikondamkothapalli (P)	Ikondamkothapalli	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Selliamman	do
37	77	Chinnamuthur (P)	Periamuthur	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	15	0.50	Sri Selliamman	Samalatti Railway station 29 miles
38	..	do	Periamuthur (Sandai-kuppam)	Sri Beeradevar temple (O)	200	0.20	Sri Beera Devar	Samalatti Railway station 32 miles
39	..	do	do	Sri Veerabhadraswamy temple (O)	15	0.20	Sri Veerabhadraswamy	Samalatti Railway station 28 miles
40	..	do	Periamuthur	Sri Thimmaroyaswamy temple (O)	Not known	0.04	Sri Thimmaroyaswamy	Samalatti Railway station 25 miles
41	83	Mahandiramangalam (P)	Mahandiramangalam	Sri Veerabhadraswami temple (O)	150	0.07	Sri Veerabhadraswami	Morappur Railway station
42	87	Kaveripatnam (P)	Kaveripatnam (Pillayarkoil Street)	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	Samalatti Railway station 24 miles
43	..	do	Kaveripatnam (Shandu Road)	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	200	0.04	Sri Anjaneyaswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

250	•	...	5.32	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
2,000	•	4.08	29.13	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Margazhi	...	No
600	•	...	23.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No
250	•	...	5.11	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Adi Festival once in 3 years	...	No
•	•	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Kurumbar	No	...	No
1,000	•	...	6.46	...	...	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
400	•	...	...	38.21	...	540	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Adi 18th day Karthigai Deepam	...	No
600	•	...	•	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
350	•	...	...	32.00	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
44	87	Kaveripatnam (P)	Kaveripatnam (South river)	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Anjaneya-swami	Samalpatti Railway station
45	..	do	Kaveripatnam	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)			Sri Nageswaraswami	Samalpatti Railway station 21 miles
46				Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	100	1.00	Sri Venkataramanaswami	
47				Sri Margasahayaswami temple (S)			Sri Margasahayaswami	
48				Sri Madhya Parameswarar temple (S)			Sri Madhya Parameswarar	
49	91	Beleguli (P)	Balagolu	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	400	0.01	Sri Anjaneyar	Kallavi Railway station 20 miles
50	..	do	Balikuli (Kondampondur)	Sri Samundiamman temple (F)	350	Below 0.01	Sri Samundiamman	do
51	94	Kannandahalli (P)	Kannandahalli	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.10	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 10 miles
52	..	do	do	Sri Thedugaragamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Thedugaragamman	Samalpatti Railway station 15 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

3,000	8'00	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Madwa Navami Sri Rama Navami Sri Hanuman Jayanthi	...	No
606	...	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
525	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
500	1'50	16'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300	...	...	9'50	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
200	0'75	4'00	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Not stated	No	...	No
300	2'10	4'56	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Harijan	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
53	96	Bommepalli (P)	Karungali-patty	Sri Samundiamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Samundi- amman	Kakkangarai Railway station 6 miles
54	97	Sevvampatti	Sevvampatti	Sri Poongavanatha- mman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Poongava- nathamman	Kakkangarai Railway station 5 miles
55	101	Kattagaram	Kattagaram (Sandur G.A.)	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Selliamman	Dasampatti Railway station 15 miles
56	„	do	Santhur	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	150	0.50	Sri Selliamman	do
57	102	Nagojana- halli (P)	Nagarasam- patty	Sri Perumal temple (V)	500	0.01	Sri Perumal	Kallavi Railway station 16 miles
58	„	do	Thattakal	Sri Sakkiamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Sakkiamman	Samalpatti Railway station 14 miles
59	„	do	do	Sri Bairavaswamy temple (O)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Bairavaswamy	Samalpatti Railway station 17 miles
60	103	Nadungal (P)	Jainur	Sri Perumal temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Perumal	Samalpatti Railway station 20 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

200	1.59	19.08	...	Tamarind Tree-1 Palmyra Trees-17	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
200	...	2.70	...	...	...	...	Rathams-2	Once a week by a Sembadavan	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	No
210	...	24.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	...	...	No
1,462	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Umara	...	...	No
400	...	7.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vaniar	...	...	No
500	...	11.27	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	...	...	No
500	...	27.18	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	...	...	No
243	...	9.00	...	...	...	...	...	No Poojas	...	...	No

## KRISHNAGIRI

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
61	105	Panneswaramadam (P)	Panneswaramadam	Sri Panneswaraswamy temple (S)	800	1.33	Sri Panneswarar	Samalpatti Railway station 26 miles
62	„	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	100	0.30	Sri Pattalamman	Samalpatti Railway station
63	„	do	do	Sri Perumal temple (V)	100	0.30	Sri Perumal	Samalpatti Railway station 26 miles
64	106	Payyur (P)	Payyar	Sri Ponniamman temple (F)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Ponniamman	Morappur Railway station
65	„	do	Sappampatty	Sri Kothandaramaswami temple (V)	67	0.02	Sri Kothandaramaswami	do
66	„	do	Kandalapatty	Sri Selliamman alias Ponniamman temple (F)	250	0.01	Sri Ponniamman	Morappur Railway station 21 miles
67	107	Erahalli (P)	Erahalli	Sri Gari Chenroyaswami temple (V)	200	0.03	Sri Chenroyaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 24 miles
68	109	Chaparthy (P)	Benakampatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Samalpatti Railway station 26 miles
69				Sri Eswarar temple (S)			Sri Eswarar	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
268	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
300	...	...	...	18'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a Mudaliar	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
400	...	...	30'04	...	...	...	Crow	Once a month by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
500	3'00	2'00	...	...	...	...	...	No Poojas	Dasara Festival	...	No
250	17'99	3'63	..	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Thaipongal	...	No
750	...	...	...	25'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naidu	No	...	No
200	...	5'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi 18th day	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
70	109	Chaparthi (P)	Banakampatty	Sri Thottiamman temple (F)	300	0.04	Sri Thottiamman	} Samalpatti Railway station
71				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
72	..	do	Chaparthi	Sri Perumal temple (V)	500	0.01	Sri Perumal	do
73	..	do	do	Sri Timmaroyaswami temple (O)	400	0.07	Sri Bodi Thimmaroyaswami	do
74	..	do	do	Sri Samundiamman temple (F)	45	Below 0.01	Sri Samundiamman	do
75	..	do	do	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	Samalpatti Railway station
76	109	Marampatti (P)	Marampatti	Sri Eswarar temple (S)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Eswarar	Samalpatti Railway station 25 miles
77	110	Bikkana-halli (P)	Bikkanahalli	Sri Ranganathar temple (V)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Ranganathar	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
78	111	Jakkasamudram (P)	Bommanur	Sri Adinarayanaswami temple (V)	150	0.06	Sri Adinarayanaswami	Morappur Railway station 20 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

500	...	30.00	...	...	...	200	...	Four times in a year by a hereditary Gounder	Avani Jathirai once in 10 years	...	No
400	...	6.00	...	...	..	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Brahmin	No	..	No
600	..	22.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
725	..	20.00	...	...	...	150	...	Once a month by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
200	...	80.00	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
500	...	...	...	...	...	100	Palanquin	Pooja by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
250	...	...	...	10.10	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
200	0.90	...	...	19.74	...	41	Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthiga Deepam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
79	111	Jakkasamudram	Bommanur	Sri Karaga Selliamman temple (F)	150	Below 0·01	Sri Karaga Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 32 miles
80				Sri Sökkamma temple (F)			Sri Sa kk	
81	112	Bannihalli (P)	Kuttapalli	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	200	0·45	Sri Pattalamman	Morappur Railway station 25 miles
82	114	Karadihalli (P)	Devarmukulam	Sri Ranganathar temple (V)	400	0·02	Sri Ranganathar	Morappur Railway station
83				Sri Venkatakrishna Perumal temple (V)	400	0·04	Sri Venkatakrishna Perumal	
84	115	Kumbarahalli (P)	Kumbarahalli	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station
85	115	Kumbarahalli (V)	Kumbarahalli	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Morappur Railway station
86	..	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	500	Below 0·01	Sri Pattalamman	do
87	..	do	do	Sri Thimmaroyaswami temple (O)	500	0·05	Sri Thimmaroyaswami	do
88				Sri Hanumantharoyaswami temple (O)			Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

500	3.02	...	...	43.74	...	41	...	No	Amman Festival	...	No
250	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
200	...	2.25	...	...	...	150	Ratham, Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	481 of 1926	...
2,000	...	...	...	70.95	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Thaipooasam Adi 18th Day	...	No
200	...	...	...	4.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	No
200	...	...	...	7.02	...	50	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
500	...	...	...	6.10	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Thaipooasam	...	Yes
	...	...	...	15.16	...	...	Garudan				

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
89	115	Kumbarahalli (V)	Kumbarahalli	Sri Dedu Karaga Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Dedu Karaga Selliamman	Samalpatti Railway station 25 miles
90	116	Avathuvadi (P)	Avathuvadi	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Selliamman	Dasampatti Railway station 20 miles
91	117	Thatrahalli (P)	Sambanur (Ottapatti)	Sri Perumal Thimmaroyaswami temple (V)	400	0.01	Sri Thimmaroyaswami	Morappur Railway station
92	118	Maruderi (P)	Maruderi	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Perumal	Dasampatti Railway station 15 miles
93	..	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	300	0.99	Sri Pattalamman	do
94	..	do	Perumalai (Singarapettai)	Sri Venkataramaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Venkataramaswami	Samalpatti Railway station
95	119	Valangamudi (P)	Mullikkal	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Pattalamman	Samalpatti Railway station 20 miles
96	119	Valangamudi (P)	Mullikal	Sri Bairaveswarar (Bairavaswami) temple (S)	150	0.01	Sri Bairavaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 20 miles
97	..	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	200	...	Sri Anjaneyaswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

300	...	115.22	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
1,154	4.29	23.48	...	...	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navaratri	...	No
400	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
300	...	5.83	...	...	...	...	...	No Poojas	...	...	No
500	1.07	8.09	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	Yes
300	1.50	14.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Adi 18th Day	...	No
500	...	5.95	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
200	...	5.09	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
500	...	10.16	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
98	119	Valangamudi	Valangamudi	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	100	Below 0·01	Sri Kalamman	Samalpatti Railway station
99	120	Veeramalai (P)	Veeramalai (Nagasampatti)	Sri Ponniamman temple (F)	400	Below 0·01	Sri Ponniamman	Kallavi Railway station 13 miles
100	123	Puliampatti (P)	Puliampatti	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	500	1·00	Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station 17 miles
101				Sri Chandrasekharar temple (S)			Sri Chandrasekharar	
102	125	Kavundanoor (P)	Sonarahalli	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami temple (V)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 6 miles
103	127	Ramakrishnapatti (P)	Ramakrishnapatti	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	200	0·30	Sri Pattalamman	Kakkangarai Railway station 4 miles
104				Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	200	0·20	Sri Chenroyaswami	
105	135	Kunnathur (P)	Kunnathur	Sri Virupaksheeswarar temple (S)	60	0·20	Sri Virupaksheeswarar	Kunnathur Railway station 1½ miles
106	140	do	Kandamandapatti (Puliampatti)	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	200	Below 0·01	Sri Selliamman	Samalpatti Railway station 10 miles



## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for* Faali 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy							
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist						
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple						(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

210	1.49	12.23	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi 18th Day	...	No
250	7.50	26.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
263	1.00	15.00	...	...	...	...	Chapparam Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Adi 18th Day	...	No
971	...	20.00	...	...	...	...	...	No Poojas	No	...	No
500	1.00	12.00	...	...	...	320	Ratham	Once a week by a hereditary Mooppanar	No	...	No
500	0.50	0.10	...	...	...	1,305	Garudan Palanquin	Once a week by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
1,363	...	...	90.46	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Sivarathri	...	No
500	0.26	8.04	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gounder	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
107	142	Balathottam (P)	Balathottam	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	150	0.02	Sri Selliamman	Dasampatti Railway station 7 miles
108	143	Parandapalli (P)	Parandapalli (Pochampalli)	Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Pidariamman	Dasampatti Railway station 10 miles
109	144	Pochampalli (P)	Pochampalli	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	35	Below 0.01	Sri Selliamman	Dasampatti Railway station
110	..	do	do	Sri Vediappan temple (O)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Vediappan	do
111	..	do	do	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Perumal	do
112	..	do	Vadamalai-patti	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.01	Sri Perumal	Dasampatti Railway station 9 miles
113	145	Jangalakadi-rampatti (P)	Madukampatti	Sri Basuveswara-swami temple (S)	50	0.10	Sri Basuveswara-swami	Kuppam Railway station 12 miles
114	146	Keelkuppam (P)	Keelkuppam	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	Not known	0.10	Sri Subramaniam	Dasampatti Railway station 7 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasil 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

300	2.25	26.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Velan	No	...	No
200	...	...	84.00	...	...	...	...	...	Navarathri	...	No
712	3.37	15.44	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Vanniar	No	...	No
...	...	4.26	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Vanniar	No	...	No
362	...	4.83	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a Poosari	No	...	No
300	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Naidu	No	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	12.93	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
700	6.00	...	...	...	...	200	Peacock	Twice a week by a Poosari	Panguni Uthiram	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
115	147	Barur (P)	Barur	Sri Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)	150	0.22	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	Dasampatti Railway station 12 miles
116	„	do	do	Sri Ponniamman temple (F)	10	0.10	Sri Ponniamman	Dasampatti Railway station 12 miles
117	„	do	do	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	150	0.34	Sri Someswarar	Dasampatti Railway station 12 miles
118	„	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Pattalamman	do
119	150	Kudimanahalli (P)	Kudimanahalli	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	200	0.18	Sri Chenroyaswami	Kallavi Railway station 20 miles
120	159	Mallapuram (P)	Mallapuram	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Selliamman	Dasampatti Railway station 1 mile
121	160	Salamarathupatti (P)	Salamarathupatti	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	Not Known	0.10	Sri Chenroyaswami	Samalpatti Railway station 5 miles
122	165	Uttangarai (P)	Uthangarai	Sri Kasiviswanathar temple (S)	200	0.83	Sri Kasiviswanathar	do
123				Sri Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)			Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

600	15'00	1'29	...	...	...	...	Garudnn Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Rama Navami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
600	1'08	11'77	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival	...	No
500	8'25	1'25	...	...	...	...	Ratham	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Sivarathri Thiruvathirai	...	No
200	...	10'00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Vellalar	No	...	No
300	5'00	7'00	...	...	...	50	Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
890	...	...	25'00	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Vellalar	Fire walking once in seven years	...	No
1,036	0'13	15'23	...	...	...	500	Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	Sivarathri Navarathri	...	No
640	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sivarathri Arudra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam Sri Krishna Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

## KRISHNAGIRI

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
124	169	Periathallapadi (P)	Periathallanadi	Sri Ramaswami <i>alias</i> Egaliswami temple (V)	300	0.05	Sri Ramaswami	Samalpatti Railway station
125	195	Kallavi (P)	Mallapuram	Sri Sulakkaraiswami temple (S)	1000	0.50	Sri Sulakkaraiswami	Dasampatti Railway station 1½ miles
126				Sri Vishnu or Pattabiramar temple (V)			Sri Pattabiramar	
127	„	do	do	Sri Iravatheeswarar temple (S)	1000	0.80	Sri Iravatheeswarar	do
128	180	Kallavi (P)	Mallapuram	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	45	0.50	Sri Venugolaswami	Kallavi Railway station
129	181	Kattupatti (P)	Kattupatti	Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Pidariamman	Dasampatti Railway station 3 miles
130	184	Veerana-kuppam (P)	Velampatty	Sri Perumal temple (V)	250	Below 0.01	Sri Perumal	Samalpatti Railway station 20 miles
131	189	Katteri (P)	Hanumantha Theertham	Sri Hanumantheeswarar temple (S)	200	0.75	Sri Hanumantheeswarar	Samalpatti Railway station 13 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Ra.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

400	0.86	8.79	...	...	...	250	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Navarathri Karthigai Decpam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	Yes
...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Decpam	...	Yes
660	4.00	...	...	Houses-2	...	400	Ratham Garudan Horse Elephant	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
250	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Naidu	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Adi 18th Day	...	No

## KRISHNAGIRI

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Loca on (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	16	Madepalli (P)	Madepalli	Sri Thimmaroya-swami temple (V)	Not known	0.20	Sri Thimmaroya-swami	Gudupalli Railway station 13 miles
2	22	Varathanapalli (P)	varathanapalli	Sri Lakshminarasimha temple (V)	400	0.03	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami	Kuppam Railway station 14 miles
3	24	Mekkalachin-nampalli (P)	Karagur	Sri Ponniamman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Ponniamman	Morappur Railway station 20 miles
4	45	Orappam (P)	Orappam	Sri Thimmaroya-swami temple (V)	300	0.36	Sri Thimmaroya-swami	Tiruppur Railway station 21 miles
5	49	Krishnagiri (P)	Krishnagiri (Old Pettai)	Sri Someswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.05	Sri Someswaraswami	Samalpatti Railway station 17 miles
6	..	do	do	Sri Kaveeswaraswami <i>alias</i> Sri Chandrasekara-swami temple (S)	Not known	0.16	Sri Kaveeswaraswami	Samalpatti Railway station 24 miles
7	77	Chinnamuthur	Periamuthur	Sri Sithappan temple (O)	200	0.39	Sri Sithappan	Samalpatti Railway station 20 miles
8	85	Gudalapatti (P)	Gundalapatti	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Selliamman	Samalpatti Railway station
9	100	Kullampatti (P)	Mukkampatti	Sri Perumalappan temple (O)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Perumalappan	Samalpatti Railway station 7 miles



## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual incomes** assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.			Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple	Ref. for deciph- ered ones				Non- decl- phered but re- ported to exist	
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	
and Charitable Endowments Board												
200	0:30	3:00	...	...	...	200	Garudan Horse	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Ugadhi Sri Rama Navami	...	No	
1,500	0:50	5:00	...	...	...	250	Vahanams-6	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin		...	No	
400	...	...	...	30:00	...	500	...	Poojas performed by hereditary Gounders	Ugadhi Karthigai Deepam Adi 18th Day	...	No	
100	...	1:52	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	...	...	No	
256	0:50	...	...	...	...	...	Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	No	
36	...	...	...	1:00	...	...	...	...	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	No	
75	...	5:00	...	...	...	...	Horse	Once a week by a hereditary Kurumbar	...	...	No	
475	1:07	7:40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	No	...	No	
800	...	...	...	12:00	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Naicker	No	...	No	

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	101	Kattagaram (P)	Sandur	Sri Sandur Perumal temple (V)	150	1.50	Sri Perumalswami	Samalpatti Railway station 15 miles
11	142	Balathottam (P)	Balathottam	Sri Perumal temple (V)			Sri Perumalappan	Dasampatti Railway station 7 miles
12				Sri Pillaiyar temple (G)	150	0.20	Sri Vinayagar	
13				Sri Periaswami temple (O)			Sri Periaswami	
14	144	Pochampatti (P)	Pochampatti	Sri Nadu Palaniandavar temple (M)	4	Below 0.01	Sri Palaniandavar	Dasampatti Railway station 11 miles
15	145	Jingalakadi-rampatti (P)	Madukampatti	Sri Thimmaroyar temple (V)	10	0.01	Sri Thimmaroyar	Kuppam Railway station 10 miles
16	149	Pannandur (P)	Kallipatti	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	300	0.02	Sri Kalamman	Kallavi Railway station 19 miles
17	159	Soolakarai (P)	Mallapuram	Sri Iravatheswarar temple (S)	200	0.61	Sri Iravatheswarar	Dasampatti Railway station 1½ mile
18	„	do	do	Sri Pattabiramaswami temple (V)	200	0.22	Sri Pattabiramar	do
19	181	Kattupatti (P)	Kattapatti	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Samalpatti Railway station 26 miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

200	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
	0.50	4.00	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
Not stated	...	3.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	No	...	No
	...	...	..	...	...	...	Palanquin	No	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
500	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hercditary Naidu	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Vanniar	No	...	No
387	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
385	...	...	...	Houses-2	...	85	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami	...	No
300	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

## HARUR TALUK

### 30. THEERTHAMALAI

#### Theerthagiriswarar temple

Theerthamalai is about 10 miles north-east of Harur, the taluk headquarters and about 18 miles east of Morappur, the nearest railway station. Buses ply between this place and Harur on the south-west, Uthangarai and Krishnagiri on the north-west and Kottapatti on the south-east. Theerthamalai which is a panchayat is known for Theertham or sacred water and the Malai or hill on which stands the temple. The hill of Theerthamalai is 3,220 ft. above sea level. It is one of the most conspicuous landmarks in Harur taluk. It lies about two miles beyond the junction of the roads running from Harur and Uthangarai to Kottapatti and is about 8 miles from Harur. At the foot of the hill is the panchayat with 2,422 inhabitants and a Siva temple surrounded by a typical quadrangular Car Street. There is another temple on the hill top. The hill is of very remarkable formation. From one side, it seems to be a narrow single peak, from another it has three distinct peaks and when ascended, the peaks multiply. Viewed from the north, a narrow ridge of magnetic iron stone, something like a hog's mare, runs up from the bottom for nearly three fourth of its height. The ledge is, on the upper side, not more than two or three feet wide and the perpendicular sides of this extraordinary vertebral column effectually prevent even the most daring climber from attempting the ascent from this point. Above this, the mountain, which is otherwise one mass of jungle, towers up into some half a dozen peaks, varying in height and not all are distinguishable from the same point of view. A flight of slippery steps leads for about three quarters of a mile from the foot to the temple at the hill top.

There is a small gopuram at the entrance of the Temple. Within the temple, there are three Vimanams, one for the presiding deity Theerthagiriswarar, another for His consort Soundarambigai and the third one for the image of another Lingam known as Ramalingam.

According to local legends, Rama of the great epic Ramayana installed the presiding deity of this temple and offered poojas to get rid of (பிரம்ம ஹத்தி தோஷம்) the sin of killing a human being (in this context Ravana). Just behind the sanctum sanctorum of the presiding deity, water falls from a height of thirty feet. Independent of seasonal variations, the flow is claimed to be non-stop. A bath in the falls is considered to be sacred. According to the legend, Rama shot an arrow and created the falls so as to enable him to perform Abishegam or holy bath to the image of the presiding deity installed by him. It was therefore named after him as Rama Theertham. Similar legends exist for Agasthya Theertham, Kumara Theertham, Umayaval alias Gowri Theertham and Agni Theertham.

The temple occupies a space of about one acre. There is only one prakaram where there is a Mandapam named after Chila Nayakkan a Pandyan king. It seems Chila Nayakkan used to store his treasure in a large iron pot on the very summit of the hill, since it could not be stolen from that place.

In the year 1905, 19 stone inscriptions were copied by the Government Epigraphist from this temple. In one of them the alphabet used is Vattaluttu, but the inscription is too much damaged to be readily deciphered. Another epigraph mentions a king named Mallideva Maharaja who is conjectured to be a western Ganga. It refers to the gift of a village of Alambadi in Alaiyur Nad. The Characters used for this inscription appear to be somewhat older than the rest of the inscription. Chola rule is evidenced by 11 inscriptions which bear the familiar names Rajaraja, Rajendra Chola and Kulottunga; but to which monarchs they refer is not known. There are five Vijayanagar inscriptions, all of the First dynasty. They bear the names of Bukka II (1399 A.D.) Vijaya Bupati Raya, son of Deva Raya I (1409) Vira Vijaya raya Udaiyar (1411) and Deva raya II (1428 A.D.). Lastly there is a Telugu inscription dated 1697 A.D. on the south wall

of the Chila Nayadu mantapam which refers to the setting up of the image of Kasi Viswanatha in the central shrine. Chila Nayaka appears to be the title given to a series of rulers whom legend connects with Theerthamalai, Tenkarai kottai and Salem.

Only one pooja is performed in a day by a Brahmin at the hill temple. Hundreds of devotees visit the hill temple on Fridays and New Moon days. The chief annual car festival is held in the month of February-March (Masi) which attracts nearly 10,000

devotees mainly from the adjoining North Arcot district. There are three wooden cars donated by Konga Vellalars and Vanniars about 70 years back. The temple also owns a Swan Vahanam, a peacock, a Rishabam and a Ravana image. It also reports jewellery worth Rs. 1,500/- which include a golden kasumalai, three silver crowns and a silver nagapasam. In fasli, 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 3,165/- which includes a Government dastic allowance of Rs. 1,075/-. The temple is managed by a board of four trustees.

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
1	1	Bannikulam (P)	Bannikulam	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	100	0·01	Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 12 miles
2	..	do	Tippampatti	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	100	Below 0·01	Sri Pattalamman	do
3	2	Irumathur (P)	Irumathur	Sri Madhavaroyaswami temple (V)	100	0·02	Sri Madhavaroyaswami	do
4	..	do	do	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	100	0·01	Sri Selliamman	do
5	..	do	Vaigampatti	Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	60	0·05	Sri Dharmarajar	Morappur Railway station 15 miles
6	7	Samandahalli (P)	Sammandahalli	Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	100	0·25	Sri Pidariamman	Thondampatti Railway station 1½ miles
7	8	Villampatti (P)	Pallipatti (Velapatti)	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	200	0·10	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Thondampatti Railway station
8	14	Vedakathamaduvu (V)	Monduguli	Sri Theerthagireeswarar temple (V)	Not known	0·50	Sri Theerthagireeswarar	Morappur Railway station 28 miles

## TALUK

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

300	...	...	10-00	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
200	1-00	2-00	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
507	0-60	14-91	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	Vijaya Dasami	...	No
200	1-10	13-21	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
200	0-50	1-50	...	...	...	150	Ratham	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Sivaratri	...	No
1,000	...	6-50	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
300	...	...	5-00	...	...	200	Garudan-2 Horse Hanuman	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vijaya Dasami	...	No
450	...	10-00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples under the Hindu Religious								
9	20	Kambainallur (P)	Kambainallur	Sri Desikanathar temple (S)	400	0.07	Sri Dasanatheswarar	Morappur Railway station 8 miles
10				Sri Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)	400	0.05	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	
11	..	do	do	Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	300	0.01	Sri Dharmarajaswami	do
12				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
13	..	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	200	0.03	Sri Anjaneyaswami	do
14	..	do	do	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	100	0.04	Sri Subramaniaswami	do
15				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
16	..	do	Sakandahalli (Veppulampatty)	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.01	Sri Perumal	Morappur Railway station 12 miles
17	21	Vegurappampatti (P)	Kadambarpalli	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	...	Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 11 miles
18				Sri Vediappar temple (O)			Sri Vediappar	



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

							Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudra Dharisanam Panguni Uthiram	8-11 of 1900	...
597	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
	...	...	8'00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
250	1'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
221	6'00	30'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	Hanumantha Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	5'25	...	...	...	...	...	Ratham Car Pattarai	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Thaiposam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
300	0'35	5'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
250	...	...	20'00	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
19	24	Polayampalli (P)	Polayampalli (Gopirampalli)	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 6 miles
20	26	Morappur (P)	Morappur	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	350	1.00	Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
21	..	do	Somandanallur (Morappur)	Sri Perumal temple (V)	1,000	0.02	Sri Damodara Perumal	Thottampatti Railway station $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles
22	30	Theerthamalai (P)	Theerthamalai	Sri Theerthagireeswarar temple (S)	800	1.07	Sri Theerthagireeswarar	Morappur Railway station 18 miles
23	31	Periapatti (P)	Manthikulampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.07	Sri Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 37 miles
24	35	Satrapatti (P)	Satrapatti	Sri Chennakesava Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.04	Sri Chennakesava Perumal	Morappur Railway station
25	38	Gobinathapatti (P)	Mookanurpatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Thonganur Railway station $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles
26				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	250	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)					

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

300	2.85	15.73	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	No	...	No
700	1.80	12.00	...	...	...	500	Garudans-2 Horse Tiger	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Adi 18th Day	...	No
300	...	...	13.00	...	...	50	Anjaneyar Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Thadar	Chithra Festival once in 3 years	...	No
3 155	...	2.00	...	...	...	1,500	Rathams-3 Swan Peacock Rishabam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Masi Navarathri	658-676 of 1905	...
300	...	10.95	...	...	...	500	Horse	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	Mariamman Festival	...	No
200	...	5.15	...	...	...	700	Garudan Horse	Once a week by a Gounder	Tamil New Year's Day Adi 18th Day Navarathri	...	No
800	...	3.50	...	...	...	100	Horse Bhootham Ratham	Once a week by a hereditary Naicker	Adi 18th Day	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
27	40	Maniambadi (P)	Kasiampatti	Sri Malaikkanniamman temple (F)	100	0.24	Sri Malaikkanniamman	Morappur Railway station 7 miles
28	..	do	Maniambadi	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	Not known	1.00	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Buddireddipatti Railway station
29	47	Santhaipatti (P)	Kotarapatty	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.06	Sri Mariamman	Thonganur Railway station 4 miles
30				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
31	48	Gobichettipalayam (P)	Pettur	Sri Thirumaleeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.04	Sri Thirumaleeswarar	do
32				Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami	
33	49	Harur (P)	Harur	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	50	0.05	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Morappur Railway station 8 miles
34	..	do	do	Sri Valeswarar temple (S)	2500	Not stated	Sri Valeswarar	do
35	..	do	do	Sri Vanneswarar temple (S)			Sri Vanneswarar	
36	..	do	do	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)			Sri Varadaraja	

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for* Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

230	...	4.56	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
2,030	...	91.53	...	...	...	901	Garudans-2 Chapparam Ratham Elephant	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	<del>Vamanta</del> Ekadasi	...	Yes
1,200	...	16.87	...	...	...	16	Tiger Hanumar Horse	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Mariamman Festival Adi 18th Day	...	No
295	1.00	18.00	...	...	...	100	Rishabam	Once a day by a hereditary Raja Caste	No	...	No
500	...	20.00	...	...	...	700	Garudan Anjanyar	Once a day by a hereditary Raja Caste	No	...	No
548	Extent not stated			Houses-2	...	...	Vimanam	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Amman Festival	...	Yes
364	...	...	...	Houses-4	...	50	Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Sivarathri Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

Garudan

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
37	56	Kadathur (P) (V)	Kadathur	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Buddireddipatti Railway station 3 miles
38	60	Buddireddipatti (P)	Buddireddipatti	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	1000	0.50	Sri Someswaraswami	Buddireddipatti Railway station
39	78	Thenkarai-kottai (P)	Thenkarai-kottai	Sri Kalyanaramar temple (V)	500	1.00	Sri Kalyanaramaswami	Chindalappadi Railway station 6 miles
40				Sri Nanjundeswarar temple (S)			Sri Nanjundeswarar	
41	109	Bairanatham (V)	Bairanatham	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Pidariamman	Bommidi Railway station 5 miles
42	..	do	do	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.15	Sri Venkataramanaswami	do
43				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	20	0.20	Sri Mariamman	

## SALEM DISTRICT

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for** Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Movable property						Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

432	...	...	...	Rice Mill Shop	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
482	12-00	...	...	...	...	350	Rishabam Car Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
594	...	6-62	...	Tamarind Trees-20	...	...	Ratham Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
1,014	Extent not stated			...	...	500	...	Once a week by a hereditary Irular	No	...	No
550	...	4-31	...	...	...	500	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
	...	17-58	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by an Irular	Mariamman Festival	...	No

## HARUR

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	7	Samandahalli (P)	Samandahalli	Sri Perumal temple (V)	50	0.50	Sri Perumal	Thondampatti Railway station 1½ miles
2	48	Gobick palayam (P)	Bethur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Thonganur Railway station 4 miles
3	„	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.03	Sri Pattalamman	do
4	100	Molayanoor (P)	Molayanoor	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Bommidi Railway station 8 miles
5	103	Irulapatti (P)	Irulapatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Bommidi Railway station 13½ miles
6				Sri Kalamman temple (F)			Sri Kalamman	
7	106	A. Pallipatti (P)	A. Pallipatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	40	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Bommidi Railway station 13 miles
8				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
9	107	Adigarapatti (P)	Adigarapatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Mariamman	do



## TALUK (Concl'd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref, for deciph-ered ones	Non-deci-phered but re-ported to exist
					Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
50	0.75	7.00	...	...	...	200	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
	...	3.00	...	...	...						
250						...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	No		No
	...	4.00	...	...	...						
...	Extent not stated			...	...	500	...	Once a week by a hereditary Irular	No	...	No
50	Extent not stated			...	Tamarind Trees-60	500	Car Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Irular	Sri Kali-amman Festival	...	No
	...	...	...	3.14	...						
300						30	...	Poojas by a hereditary Agamudayar	No	...	No
	...	...	...	1.34	...						
200	Extent not stated			...	...	100	Ratham	Once a week by hereditary Irular	Mariamman Festival	...	No

## DHARMAPURI TALUK

### 18. KARIMANGALAM

#### Aruneeswara Temple

Karimangalam is 16 miles North of Dharmapuri on the national highways from Salem to Hosur and 18 miles North-west of Morappur the nearest railway station. Its name was derived from Kari, King of Kovalur (the modern Thirukoyilur of South Arcot District) and whose name is celebrated in early Tamil literature as *கரிகாலன்* of the latest seven philanthropists (*சேனாபதி*) and who won Ori, another philanthropist who fled from Kollihills and restored the hills to the Cheras. It is now a Panchayat with 1,228 houses and a population of 5,648 persons as on 1-3-1961. East of the town, there is a group of rocks of no great height, surmounted by the Temple of Arneeswara. It occupies a space of nearly one acre. Its entrance is on the south with a six tiered gopuram about 30 feet in height. The gopuram was reconstructed by one Rama Chetti in the year 1895. Its plaster ornamentation is mostly geometrical. Ryots of the neighbouring villages celebrate marriage at this temple. The image of the presiding deity Aruneeswarar or Aranya Eswarar (*ஆரண்ய எஸ்வரர்*) is represented by a six feet high Swayambu Lingam. His consort is known as Apithakuchambal and is represented by an image in a standing posture four feet in height. There are also images for Arumugar and Subramaniam over which there is a vimanam about 20 feet high. Two poojas are performed in the temple by a non-hereditary Brahmin gurukkal. This temple and the local Lakshminarayanaswami temple have been constituted into a single Devasthanam which has a landed property of 7.5 acres. It possesses jewellery worth Rs. 500/-. In fasli 13/5, it had an annual income of Rs. 1,624/-. It has a wooden car which used to be taken round during the annual car festivals of Panguni Uthiram and Navarathri, attracting thousands of devotees. However, the car is not in working condition and hence the festival has been temporarily suspended. There are wooden vahanams of a Rishabam, Horse, peacock, lion and Ravana. The Devasthanam is managed by a board of three trustees.

### 41. PALAKKODU

#### Parameswaraswami temple

Palakkodu is a place situated 14 miles north-west of Dharmapuri. 17 miles south of Rayakota and about 20 miles from Hoganekal. According to 1961 Census, it had a population of 8,604. It is a prosperous trade centre and the weekly shandy attracts heavy crowds. Products like coconuts, plaintains, betel leaf etc., from Sanat Kumaranadhi basin are offered here for sale. It has also good trade in grains, hides and skins. The inhabitants are mostly Chettiars, Muslims and Brahmins. Near the site of the present Panchayat of Palakod there was, in ancient times, a village called Krishnarajapettai. One of its residents was much perplexed to find his cow, which was confined in a close stable, discharging her milk every day on the ground, without keeping even a drop in the udder for the master's use. Instructed by some wise men, he dug up the ground and found a Lingam buried deep in the earth. He called the Lingam as Parameswaraswami and built a temple for it. Krishnarajapettai in course of time falling into ruins, the sacred emblem was removed to what is now Palakod. It was formerly known as Thambigoundanhalli. One Baskararaja, a descendant of Jagadevaraja built the existing temple and consecrated a Lingam by the name Kshirapureswarar, or the lord of the city of milk. He also improved the town and changed its name to Kshirapuri which has been supplanted by the vernacular Palakodi (Pal *பால்* = milk). The last syllable “*கோடு*” means fort or stronghold. The usual ruined mud fort is east of the village.

The temple occupies a space of 15 cents. There is only one prakaram. The presiding deity is Parameswaraswami and His consort Parvathi. There are images for Vinayagar, Dhandayuthapani, Dakshinamoorthy, Parivara Someswarar, Nandhi, Chandikeswarar and Kalabairavar. Besides these stone images there are festival images made of Panchalogam for Parvathi Parameswarar, Vinayagar, Parvadhambal Somakandhar, Natarajar and Sivakami Amman. Th

sanctum sanctorum faces south. Two poojas are performed in a day by a non-hereditary Brahmin who is living within the temple and maintains the temple in a neat and orderly manner. While performing pooja, he wears a special yellow dhoti, which seems to be the practice in the adjoining Mysore State. Formerly the locality seemed to be a Brahmin locality but now Muslims predominate. About 10 to 15 devotees are reported to visit the Temple on Fridays, Kirthigai and Full Moon days of every month which are special occasions. Thai Pongal, Sivarathri, Karthigai Deepam, Panguni Uthiram and Tamil New Year's day are celebrated in the Temple. The annual car festival, attracting about 1,500 devotees, used to be celebrated for 12 days in April-May (Chithirai). However, the car festival has been suspended temporarily. The temple has a landed property, of nearly 5 acres of dry land which fetches an annual income of nearly Rs. 800 along with a dastic allowance of nearly Rs. 600 from Government. The officials of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (A) Department assessed an annual income of Rs. 1,974 in fasli 1375. The temple is managed by a board of two trustees.

## 119. DHARMAPURI

### Malligarjuna temple

In and around the ninth century, Dharmapuri was known as தகடூர் (Tagadur) and played a prominent part in early South Indian history. The place is associated with Adhigaiman Neduman Anji அறிக்கமான் நெடுமான் அஞ்சி one of the seven reputed philanthropists. A brief and broad history about him is given while describing Chenroya Perumal temple of Adhamankottai. Probably his time was 2nd century A. D. as Avvaiyar is stated to have lived in the 2nd century. The archaic epigraphs show also its importance in antiquity in the age of the Chera Kings. Subsequent to the Chera epoch and till about A.D. 931, it was the capital of the Nolambas as indicated by stone inscriptions. In the 12th century, Rulers of Tagadur under the Cholas, adopted the title Adigaiman or Adeiyaman. That they continued to rule over this place till the close of 13th century is evident from விடுகாதழகிய பெருமான் சாஸனம். (Vidukadhezahgia Perumal Sasanam).

The still attractive temple of Malligarjuna in Dharmapuri town is the standing monument of this

ancient city considered to be famous with rich temples, 'pleasure-gardens of Kings and high enclosure walls', a centre of Jainism and Saivism. In the year 1901 the Government Epigraphist copied seven stone inscriptions of this temple. The inscriptions stand testimony to the historical importance of this temple.

Dharmapuri is one of the national highways, about 42 miles north of Salem. Till recently it formed part of Salem district and was only a taluk headquarters. Recently it has been made the District headquarters of the newly formed district named after this town. Attempts are being made to link the town by railways. To the north of the town, there was an ancient fort but the rampart was levelled during the Great Famine and its site is difficult to trace, except the Siva temple. Even though the presiding deity is known as Mallikarjuna, the temple is locally known either as fort temple or Kamakshi Amman temple. The temple has no gopuram. Vimanam over the temple of Kamakshi Amman is bigger than that on the temple of the presiding deity. In fact Amman Sannadhi itself is larger in size. Besides, Amman is also considered more powerful. The plinth is rather high and was constructed with stone. The stone was carved in such a way that in appearance, 16 elephants seem to support the temple. All round the base are found spirited carvings from the story of the Ramayana. There are also fine stone carving on the pillars and ceilings of the main temple. One of the pillars inside the temple stands in such a way that there is a gap between its bottom and the plinth on which it rests. A piece of cloth can be easily inserted in between them from one side and removed from the other. In style, the temple is so closely akin to Pallava that any casual observer with an eye to ancient architecture would not hesitate to pronounce it to be of the later Pallava style. The ground-plan, rectangular in scheme, is so arranged as to present 48 corners, and the consequent contrasts of light and shade are rather effective. Behind this temple, there is also a small temple dedicated to Para Vasudeva.

Malligarjuna temple occupies a space of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres and that of Para Vasudheva occupies 1 acre. Two poojas are performed every day. Fridays are considered more sacred and on that day about 200 devotees visit the temple. Both the temples together had an annual income of Rs. 2,828 in fasli 1375, mainly by way of rent from shops owned by the Devasthanam and Dastic allowance from the Government. The jewellery in the

temple is worth Rs. 1,000. The temple has a car. The chief annual car festival is celebrated in the month of (April-May) Chithirai which attracts about 5,000 devotees. The temple is managed by a Board of five trustees.

## 129. KOOTHAPADI PANCHAYAT

### Dhesanadheeswarar Temple at Hogenekal

Hogenekal is twenty-five miles west of Dharmapuri taluk and district headquarters and is connected by a good tar road. It is a very good picnic spot with sylvan surroundings. Besides, it is at the confluence of Cauvery river and Chinnar. Here the main stream leaps into a chasm. While so doing, it causes a cloud of smoke which resembles a huge mass of smoke and hence it is known as 'smoking rock' or Hogenekal. There is a scheme under the consideration of the Government to harness these waters generating power. Hindus consider it sacred to have a bath in the water falls.

River Cauvery is one of the nine rivers considered sacred in the country. What Ganga is in the North, Cauvery is in these parts. In early Tamil works like Silappadhikaram and Manimekalai, it has been glorified. Tradition has it that this river becomes encephalic or pregnant in the month of Adi (during which period it is in freshes) and develops a desire for a variety of food called 'Chitrannam'. As a result, a great river festival takes place in all the places through which Cauvery flows. On the festival day, popularly known as Adipperukku or Padhinettamperukku (eighteenth day of the Tamil Adi month) when the river reaches its maximum capacity, many Hindu women go to the bank of the river with several delicacies and offer them to Goddess Cauvery with all materials of worship to fulfil her desire for 'Chitrannam'. Such ancient celebrations as Punaladal (Punaladal), greeting the freshes in rivers may have been precursor of this. River Cauvery enters the Madras State at the south-western corner of Hosur taluk. After flowing for some distance from west to east, it takes a southerly course and falls 80 feet at Hogenekal. It is in the fitness of things that the bathing ghat at the place, of majestic charm in an awe-inspiring manner, is also considered to be a sacred one. Sage Valmiki is reported to have had an Ashram here.

Dhesanadheeswarar Temple is one or two furlongs from the bathing ghat. The temple occupies a space of nearly 40 cents. There is only one prakaram. The image of the presiding deity Dhesanadheeswarar is a Lingam supposed to be installed by sage Agasthyar. His sanctum sanctorum faces east. His consort is Thrupurasundari. Images of Brahma, Lakshmi, Vishnu and Durga are kept here without any worship. They are reported to be found in the river near Alambadi, about three miles away from this place. A Brahmin from a nearby village visits this temple every Monday and performs pooja. In the absence of the priest, devotees themselves offer their worship. Nearly 1,000 to 2,000 devotees, mainly Brahmins are claimed to visit on Ekadasi and Full Moon days. About 5,000 to 10,000 devotees are reported to visit the bathing ghat and the temple for the annual celebration of Adipperukku or Padhinettamperukku, which normally falls in the first week of August. The temple has 26 acres of dry land which normally yields an annual income of Rs. 500. In fasli 1375, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (A) Department authorities assessed the annual income as Rs. 200. The temple is managed by a Board of five trustees.

## 139. ADHAMANKOTTAI

### Sri Chenroya Perumal temple

Adhigaiman was one of the seven celebrated philanthropists of Sangam age (கடைமேயாழ் வள்ளல் கள்). He was the supporter of the well known Tamil poetess Avvaiyar who has left many songs about him and his son. The place Adhamankottai is named after this great patron of Tamil literature. Adhamankottai is on the national highways at the 6th mile south-west of Dharmapuri on the way to Salem. There are four temples in Adhamankottai, two on either side of the main road and all of them belong to Vijayanagar and later periods. There are traces of a mud fortification enclosing them. Chenroya Perumal temple is on the west of main road.

The temple is a Vaishnava temple consisting of a Garbhagriha and a mukhamandapa in front of which is a miniature shrine for Garuda. The temple has been declared as a protected monument and deserves importance in view of the colour, paintings on the ceiling on

the mandapa. Various scenes from the Ramayana, Bhagavatha and Mahabharatha are depicted in great detail all over the ceiling of about 40' x 30'. Various gods and goddesses and the landscape are executed in a good way. 'Sita in Asokavana', 'Lankadahana' and the 'Mahabharatha' battle deserve special mention. The paintings are said to belong to the late 17th or 18th century A. D.

The temple faces the east and occupies a space of 50 cents. The roof of the gateway is in a bad condition. The ceiling slabs are dislodged and attempts are being made to reset them in position. There is no gopuram but there are two vimanams, one for the presiding deity and another for Garuda. Pooja is performed only once in a week (*i.e.*) on Saturdays by a hereditary

Brahmin priest. The temple has landed properties from which the annual income for fasli 1375 was estimated at Rs. 200. The chief annual festival is celebrated in the month of சித்திரை-வைகாசி (April-May) and attracts a crowd of about 1,000 persons. But for this and other festival occasions, the temple is not visited by many devotees as is the case with most of the temples in the District. As the place is being linked up with railway and as the new Collector's Office is being built close to this temple and in view of the archaeological department's efforts to highlight the importance of its ancient paintings and the association of this place with one of the cherished ancient Tamil kings, the temple may attract more visitors in the days to come. At present, the temple is managed by a Board of three trustees.

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	2	Chikkadora-nabettam (P)	Chikkarathanampattu	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	1,000	0.03	Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 12 miles
2	4	Marandahalli	Marandahalli	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	115	0.40	Sri Pattalamman	Morappur Railway station 40 miles
3	9	Upparahalli (V)	Upparahalli (Amanaimallapuram)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Morappur Railway station
4				Sri Virabhadraswami temple (O)			Sri Virabhadraswami	
5	13	Dandukaramahalli (P)	Doddaranimahalli	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	150	0.05	Sri Someswarar	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
6	..	do	do	Sri Perumal temple (V)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Perumal	Morappur Railway station 28 miles
7	15	Elumichanahalli (P)	Elumichampatti	Sri Sakkiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Sakkiamman	Morappur Railway station
8				Sri Selliamman temple (F)			Sri Selliamman	
9	..	do	do	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	152	Not stated	Sri Someswaraswami	Morappur Railway station 20 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
265	...	...	17'00	...	...	300	...	Poojas by a hereditary Poosari	Pongal	...	No
200	Extent not stated			Tamarind trees	...	200	...	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Sidal in Th	.	No
500	1'10	0'84	...	Shops-7	...	121	Tiger Rishabam	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
.	6'67	18'68	...	Tamarind trees-10	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
752	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1,250	Extent not stated			...	...	100	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Adi or Thai	...	No
.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
400	1'00	8'00	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas performed by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	18	Karimangalam (P)	Karimangalam	Sri Aruneswarar temple (S)	1,000	0.92	Sri Arunachaleswarar	Morappur Railway station 18 miles
11				Sri Lakshminarayanar temple (V)		0.36	Sri Lakshminarayanawami	
12	„	do	do	Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	30	0.02	Sri Drowpathiamman	do
13	„	do	do	Sri Pattabiramaswami temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Ramaswami	do
14	„	do	do	Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Anjaneyaswami	Morappur Railway station
15	20	Bommahalli (P)	Bommahalli	Sri Thimmaroyaswami temple (V)	300	0.03	Sri Thimmaroyaswami	Morappur Railway station 21 miles
16	„	do	Kosahalli	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station
17	21	Kethanahalli (P)	Kethanahalli	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Pasuvēswarar	Morappur Railway station 25 miles
18	27	Belamaranahalli (P)	Amidalahalli	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not Known	0.03	Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 40 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,624	...	...	7.50	...	...	500	Car Rishabam Horse Peacock Lion Ravana	Twice a day by a Gurukul	Car Festival Panguni Uthiram Navaratri	...	Yes
200	...	...	10.00	...	...	100	...	Twice a day by a Bhattachariar	...	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gounder	Festival once in 4 years	...	No
700	...	...	...	29.24	...	...	...	Once a day by a Mudaliar	Annual Festival in Thai	...	No
397	0.52	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Poojas by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
200	0.25	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan	Once a week by a Poosari	No	...	No
420	...	3.50	...	...	...	...	...	No	Festival once a Year	...	No
383	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	Poojas performed by Village People	No	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi Perukku Pongal	...	No

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	No	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
19	32	Ganapatti (V)	Belluhalli (Thiruvalluvar vadi)	Sri Kolli Mari- amman temple (F)	500	0.02	Sri Kolli Mari- amman	Morappur Railway station 45 miles
20	..	..	Bellamahalli	Sri Perumal temple (V)	200	0.01	Sri Perumal	Morappur Railway station 41 miles
21	..	do	Thirumalvadi	Sri Malleswaraswami temple (S)	400	0.02	Sri Malleswara- swami	Morappur Railway station 43 miles
22	..	..	..	Sri Lakshminarayana- swami alias Laksh- minarasimhaswami temple (V)	..	0.02	Sri Lakshminara- yanaswami	
23	34	Bevahalli (V)	Karakoor	Sri Akkumariamman temple (F)	400	Not stated	Sri Akkumari- amman	Morappur Railway station 44 miles
24	40	Erranahalli (V)	Erranahalli	Sri Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Perumal	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
25	..	..	..	Sri Venkataramanar temple (V)			Sri Venkatarama- nar	
26	41	Palacode (P)	Bellarahalli	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Pattalamman	do
27	..	do	do	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Selliamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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700	Extent not stated			...	...	100	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi Perukku Pongal	...	No
500	...	...	30'00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Adi Perukku Pongal	...	No
600						300					
	Extent not stated			...	...		...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi Perukku Pongal	...	No
200						200					
500	Extent not stated			...	...	100	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi Perukku Pongal	...	No
300	...	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
600	...	...	10'52	...	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
600	...	...	33'62	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
28	41	Palacode	Palacode	Sri Parameswarar temple (S)	650	0.15	Sri Parameswara swami	Morappur Railway station 35 miles
29	43	Pulif	Elangalapatti	Sri Kasiviswanatha-swamy temple (S)	1,000	0.02	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	Morappur Railway station 26 miles
30	46	Periyanaahalli (P)	Perianaahalli	Sri Karaga Samundi-amman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Samundi-amman	Morappur Railway station 22 miles
31	63	Karagathahalli (V)	Karagathahalli	Sri Tholagandamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Thalaikondamman	Morappur Railway station 18 miles
32	69	Pannikulam (P)	Panayakulan (Parappara patamitta)	Sri Karaga Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Karaga Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 28 miles
33	..	do	Panaikulam	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Pattalamman	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
34	..	do	Vathimarattahalli (Palacode)	Sri Madheeswaraswamy temple (S)	3	Below 0.01	Sri Madheeswaraswamy	do
35	71	Pikkili (P)	Pikkili	Sri Thimmaroyaswamy temple (O)	300	0.01	Sri Thimmaroyaswamy	Morappur Railway station 34 miles
36	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,974	...	4.98	...	...	...	69	Car Vimanam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Pongal Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Panguni Chithiram Car Festival	...	No
600	...	26.00	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
500	2.18	24.52	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
750	...	...	61.00	..	...	1,000	Horse	No	No	...	No
405	1.20	28.50	...	...	...	50	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Vellalar	No	...	No
220	...	10.53	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival once in 3 years	...	No
4,158	...	...	...	...	...	500	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Sivarathri Ugadhi	...	No
400	...	20.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Chithirai or Vaikasi	...	No
992	...	40.00	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Chithra Pournami	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
37	73	Veppilahalli	Veppilahalli	Sri Karagaianman temple (F)	250	Below 0·01	Sri Karagai amman	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
38	74	Papparahatti	Papparahatti (New)	Sri Puduksubramaniam temple (M)	100	0·11	Sri Subramaniamswamy	Morappur Railway station 28 miles
39	„	do	do	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	800		Sri Varadarajar	Morappur Railway station 27 miles
40				Sri Anjaneyaswami temple (O)	130	0·42	Sri Anjaneyar	
41				Sri Raghavendraswami temple (V)	Not known		Sri Raghavendraswami	
42	77	Madehalli (P)	Muttur (Mathur)	Sri Thedukkaraga Selliamman temple (F)	300	Below 0·01	Sri Karaga Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
43	81	Poomandahalli (P)	Modhur	Sri Beemeswarar temple (S)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Beemeswarar	Morappur Railway station 27 miles
44				Sri Bairaveswarar temple (S)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Bairaveswarar	
45	„	do	Modhur (Poomandahalli)	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami temple (V)	175	Below 0·01	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	do

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
500	1:25	41:47	...	...	...	10	...	Once a week by a hereditary Goundar	Karagai Uthsavam	...	No
806	...	...	...	...	...	300	Cars-2 Vahanams-5	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipooasa	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	233 of 1928	...
3,111	10:00	80:00	...	...	...	2,500	...	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Vaikasi Visakam Karthigai Deepam Ugadhi Thiruvathirai	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
250	...	19:35	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Thai	...	No
200	2:00	12:00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
300	...	94:00	...	Tamarind Trees-21	...	650	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
46	84	Krishnapuram (P)	Krishnapuram	Sri Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)	200	0.06	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	Morappur Railway station 15 miles
47	..		Mottupatti	Sri Chokkanatha-swami temple (S)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Chokkanatha-swami	Morappur Railway station 12 miles
48	..	do	do	Sri Sengaliamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Sengaliamman	do
49	85	Andihalli (P)	Sriramapatti	Sri Adhimoolaswami temple (S)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Adhimoola-swami	Not stated
50	..	do	do	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Kalamman	Not stated
51	100	Somahalli (V)	Koorapalli	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	130	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 26 miles
52	..	do	Somahalli	Sri Akkumariamman temple (F)	400	Below 0.01	Sri Akkumariamman	Morappur Railway station 28 miles
53	..	do	do	Sri Akkumariamman temple (F)	400	Below 0.01	Sri Dedukaraga Akkumariamman	do
54	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.10	Sri Mariamman	do



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
456	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattacharia	Vijayadasami Sri Rama Navami	...	No
250	...	5'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal			No
300	1'75	11 00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Amman Festival for four days in Chithirai or Vaikasi	...	No
200	...	3'82	...	...	...	...	Car	Once a month by a hereditary Poosari	Rathotsavam in Vaikasi or Ani	...	Yes
200	...	...	...	12'00	...	1,500	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
315	...	21'72	...	...	...	60	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Amman Festival in Chithirai or Vaikasi	...	No
300	Extent not stated			...	...	75	...	Once a week by a hereditary Thoti	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
200	...	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
55	100	Somahalli	Somahalli	Sri Dedukaragamman temple (F)	500	Below 0·01	Sri Dedukaraga Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 32 miles
56	104	Adagapadi (P)	Adagapadi	Sri Thathandeswarar temple (S)	100	0·02	Sri Thathandeswaraswami	Morappur Railway station 22 miles
57	114	Akkamaranahalli (P)	Akkamaranahalli	Sri Venkataramana temple (V)	400	0·40	Sri Venkataramanar	Morappur Railway station 11 miles
58				Sri Adimoola temple (S)			Sri Adimoolaswami	
59	119	Dharmapuri (P)	Annasagaran	Sri Subramania-swami temple (M)	200	0·50	Sri Subramaniam	Morappur Railway station 18 miles
60				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
61	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	do
62				Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Selliamman	
63				Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Pattalamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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250	...	...	40.00	...	...	700	...	Once a month by a Poosari	Annual Festival in Chithirai and Vaikasi	...	No
400	...	12.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
420	1.25	38.75	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
717	...	...	7.25	...	...	600	Peacock Horses-2 Tiger	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Brahmothsavam for 10 days in Panguni	...	No
										348 of 1901	...
871	...	...	20.00	...	...	25	Horses-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
64	119	Dharmapuri	Dharmapuri	Sri Ambigaiamman temple (F)	250	00·9	Sri Ambikaparameswari	Morappur Railway station 17 miles
65	"	do	do	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanan temple (V)	100	0·01	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanaswami	Dharmapuri Railway station ½ mile
66	"	do	do	Sri Mallikarjunar temple (S)	700	2·50	Sri Mallikarjunar	Morappur Railway station 17 miles
67	"	do	do	Sri Paravasudevar temple (V)			Sri Paravasudevar	
68	"	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	Below 0·01	Sri Salai Vinayagar	Morappur Railway station 18 miles
69	"	do	do	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Selliamman	
70	"	do	do	Sri Basuvaswaraswami temple (S)	100	0·04	Sri Basuvaswaraswami	do
71	"	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	350	0·02	Sri Angalamman	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

368	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	...	Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
3,228	37.71	12.32	...	...	...	...	Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Vijayadasa Sri Ram Nava Vaiku Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Rathasapthami	...	No
...	...	...	...	Shops	...	1,000	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Brahmotsavam for 10 days in Chithrai Karthigai Deepam Gokulashtami Sivarathri Rathasapthami Thaipooosam Ugadhi	304-308 of 1901 & 437 of 1901	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	...	...	Yes
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
756	3.19	5.62	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman festival once a year	...	No
502	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
530	...	6.05	...	Shop-1 House-1	...	100	Chapparam (Glass) Bhootham	Twice a day by a hereditary Pillai	Sivarathri	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
72	119	Dharmapuri (P)	Kumarasami patti	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	250	0.03	Sri Siva Subramaniam	do
73				Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	50		Sri Chennakesava Perumal	
74				Sri Natarajar temple (S)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Natarajar	
75	..	do	no	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	Not known	2.25	Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 19 miles
76	123	Indoor (P)	Indur	Sri Prasannavenkataramanar temple (V)	300	1.30	Sri Prasannavenkataramanar	Morappur Railway station 27 miles
77	129	Koothapadi (P)	Kuthapadi (Halapuram)	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V).	300	0.49	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami	Morappur Railway station 39 miles
78	..	do	do	Sri Chennakeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.05	Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station 40 miles
79	..	do	do	Sri Kasi Vasa Gnana Annamalai Gnana Desikaswami temple (O)	200	0.38	Sri Desika Natheswarar	Morappur Railway station 47 miles
80	133	Echanahalli (V)	Echanahalli	Sri Karur Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.25	Sri Karur Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 35 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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•					6,393						
9,085	...	...	2'00	Shops-3 Houses-3 Garden-2 (3'00 Acres)	...	...	Cars-3 Horse-3 Peacock Bootham Tiger	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Trip Poosam	...	No
•					...						
200	...	...	...	6'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Amman Festival once in 5 years	...	No
1,697	...	...	...	...	...	150	Garudan	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Navarathri	13 of 1900	...
•											
	4'00	17'00	...	...	...	2,134	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Radhotsavam in Vaikasi	...	No
1,164	...	2'28	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
•											
200	26'00	...	...	...	...	100	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi Perukku	...	No
•											
200	Extent not stated			...	...	2,500	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Purattasi or Aavani	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
81	136	Elagiri	Elagiri	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	200	0.40	Sri Chenroyaswarar	Morappur Railway station 30 miles
82				Sri Hanumantharoya swami temple (O)	200	0.30	Sri Hanumatharoyaswami	
83	138	Nallampalli (P)	Gopalapatti	Sri Betharoyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.14	Sri Betharoyaswami	Morappur Railway station
84	„	do	Jagir Nallana-halli	Sri Chennakesava Perumal temple (V)	700	Below 0.01	Sri Chennakesava Perumal	Morappur Railway station 21 miles
85	139	Adamankottai (P)	Adamankottai	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)	300	0.01	Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station 23 miles
86				Sri Someswarar temple (S)		0.20	Sri Someswarar	
87	148	Laligam (V)	Laligam	Sri Ponniamman temple (F)	300	2.08	Sri Ponnimman	Morappur Railway station 27 miles
88	„	do	do	Sri Chenroyaperumal temple (V)	600	0.02	Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station, 28 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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280	...	...	...	4.36	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Tamil New Year's Day Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
300	...	...	...	4.97	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a Brahmin	No	...	No
200	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	100	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Vaikunta Ekadasi Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	205 to 208 of 1910	...
300	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	20	...	Once a week by a hereditary Vellalar	Annual Festival once in four years	...	No
240	...	13.00	...	...	...	50	Garudan Horses-2	Once a week by a Gurukkal	Dasara Sri Rama Navami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
89	150	Sivadi (P)	Sivadi (Bagalampalli)	Sri Chenroyaswami temple (V)			Sri Chenroyaswami	Morappur Railway station 22 miles
90				Sri Kasiviswanathar temple (S)	300	0.34	Sri Kasiviswanathar	
91				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
92				Sri Thirumalli Kundaiamman temple (F)			Sri Thirumallikundaiamman	
93	158	Kodihalli (P)	Kodihalli	Sri Veerabhadraswami temple (O)	300	0.02	Sri Veerabhadraswami	Morappur Railway station 41 miles
94	167	Perumbalai (P)	Perumbalai	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 56 miles
95		Thoppur (P)	Kanikarahalli	Sri Perumal temple (V)	200	0.02	Sri Perumal	Danishpet Railway station 12 miles
96				Sri Kathiri Perumal temple (V)	200	0.10	Sri Kathiri Perumal	

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623	2.61	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Annual Festival Puratt Vaika	...	No
200	16.00	...	...	Choultry	...	250	Tiger	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival for three days in Margazhi	...	No
350	12.00	...	...	...	...	500	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
700	4.92	...	...	...	...	20	Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Chettiar	Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami	...	No
	8.44	...	...	...	...						

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	6	Athimuthu	Athimuthu	Sri Siva temple (S)	150	0.05	Sri Eswarar	Marandahalli Railway station 4 miles
2	18	Karimangalam	Karimangalam	Sri Veerabhadraswamy temple (O)	300	0.03	Sri Veerabhadraswamy	*Morappur Railway station 18 miles
3	27	Belamaranahalli (P)	Sugganahalli	Sri Selliamman temple (F)			Sri Selliamman	Morappur Railway station 44 miles
4				Sri Perumal temple (V)	700	0.02	Sri Perumal	
5				Sri Pattalamman temple (F)			Sri Pattalamman	
6	42	Palacode (V)	Bellaranahalli	Sri Thimmaroyaswamy temple (V)	400	0.02	Sri Thimmaroyaswamy	do
7	45	Gendiganahalli (P)	Kottumaranahalli	Sri Someswaraswamy temple (S)	150	0.01	Sri Someswaraswamy	Morappur Railway station 22 miles
8	63	Karagathahalli (V)	Karagathahalli	Sri Perumal temple (V)	400	Below 0.01	Sri Perumal	Morappur Railway station 32 miles
9	81	do	Modur	Sri Nala Perumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Nala Perumal	Morappur Railway station 25 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
50	...	3'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
430	1'00	34'41	...	Shops	...	2,000	Bootham	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathra Agnikur	...	No
1,500	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Once a week by a Pooosari	Pongal Adi Perukku	...	No
200	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Adi Perukku	...	No
250	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
300	Extent not stated				...	...	150	Once a week by a hereditary Dasar	No	...	No
400	...	...	30'00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	5'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Dasar	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	84	Krishnapuram (P)	Mottupatti	Sri Adimoolaswami temple (S)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Adimoola-swami	Morappur Railway station 12 miles
11	„	do	do	Sri Pattalamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Pattalamman	do
12	87	Semmandakuppam (P)	Nallanahalli	Sri Chennakesava Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Chennakesava Perumal	Morappur Railway station 14 miles
13	100	Somanahalli	Somanahalli	Sri Thimmaroyaswami temple (V)	80	Not stated	Sri Thimmaroyaswami	Morappur Railway station
14	106	Kadagathur	Kadagathur	Sri Soleeswarar temple (S)	700	0·04	Sri Soleeswarar	Morappur Railway station 21 miles
15	128	Pennagaram	Pennagaram	Sri Thirayambikeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0·10	Sri Thirayambikeswarar	Morappur Railway station 37 miles
16	„	do	Halepuram	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V)	1,500	2·50	Sri Narasimhaswami	do
17	139	Adiyaman-kottai	Adiyaman-kottai	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0·02	Sri Angalamman	Adiyaman Railway station 1 furlong
18	„	do	do	Sri Kala Bairavar temple (O)	Not known	0·05	Sri Kala Bairavar	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

44.	0.45	0.40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
22	0.45	...	...	...	...	...	Horse	Once a week by a hereditary Asari	Ann... Festival in Ch... or Va...	...	No
...	1.00	17.00	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a Brahmin	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	2,000	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Mankaram Nombu	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	Karthigai Deepam Pongal	...	Yes
200	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
3,500	4.00	19.43	...	...	...	1,500	Car Horse	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Car Festival in Chithirai Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri	...	Yes
...	...	1.50*	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Asari	No	...	Yes
20	0.25	...	...	...	...	40	...	Once a week by a Gurukkal	No	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
19	140	A. Jettihalli (P)	Vallegounden- palayaṣ	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0·01	Sri Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 18 miles
20	167		Perumbalai	Sri Siva temple (S)	Not known	100	Sri Sivan	* Dharmapuri Railway station 35 miles
21	180	Pennagaram (R.F.)	Muthur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	Below 0·01	Sri Mariamman	Morappur Railway station 44 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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100 •	3.42	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Poosani	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Lingayat	No		Yes
•											
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	Pongal	...	No

## OMALUR TALUK

### 22. MECHERI

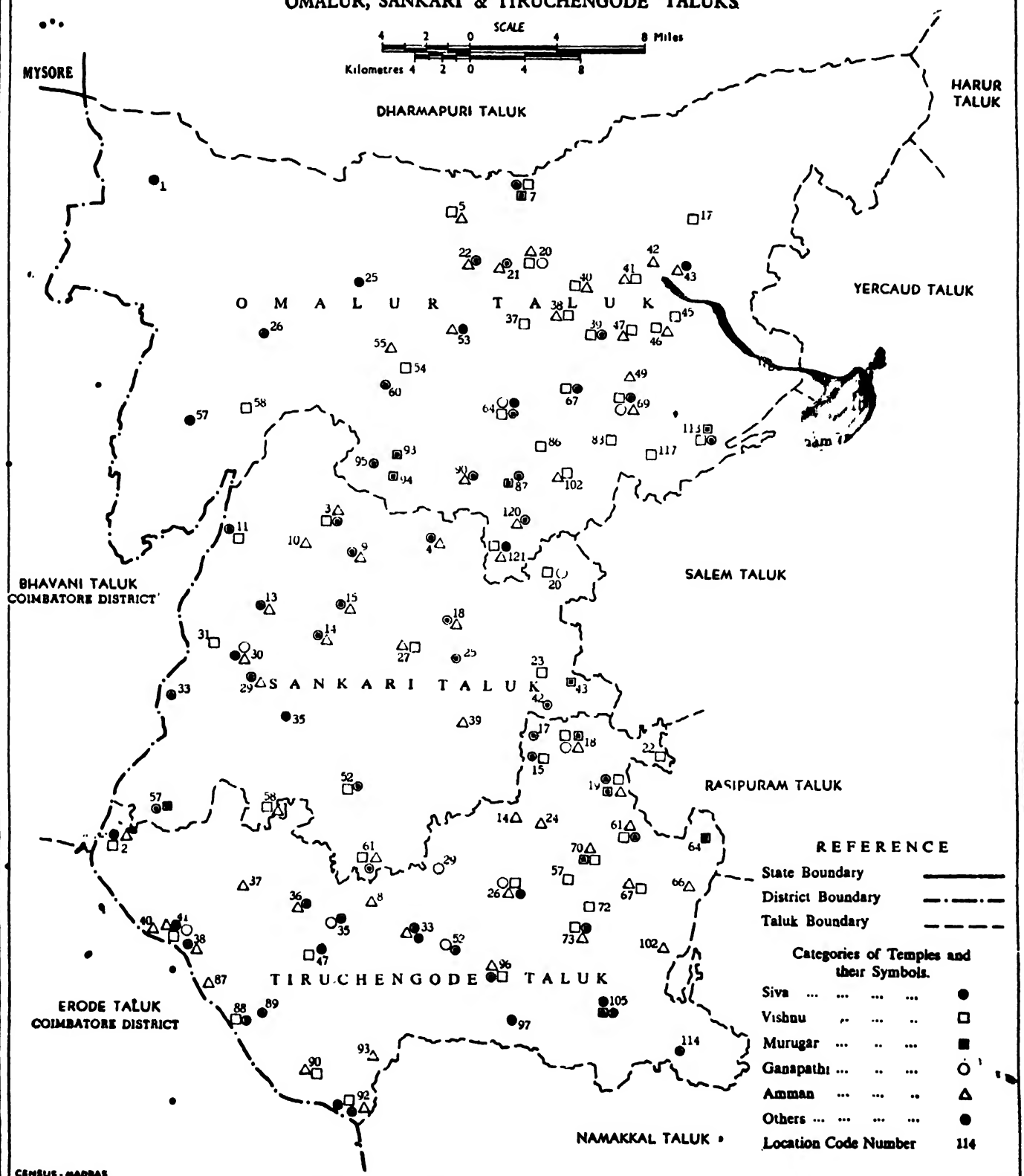
#### **Badrakaliamman temple**

Mecheri is about twenty miles north west of Salem, the district headquarter, 9 miles north west of Omalur, the taluk headquarters, about 12 miles north east of Mettur and about 2½ miles from Mecheri Road, the nearest railway station. It is well connected by road and rail. At the time of 1961 Census, it had a population of 11,230. This place is noted for the production of household utensils in soap stone by the local artisans. These vessels have wide popularity. The name Mecheri is said to be a corruption of மேய்ச்சுத் தீர் (grazing+lake or tank), the tradition being that the buffaloes of the Gatti Mudaliars, which dragged the stones for the Taramangalam temple from the quarries at Enadi (Pambarapatti), were driven for pasture to the tank at Mecheri. Much of the existing residential area is said to lie in what was formerly the waterspread of the tank. A shandy is held every Wednesday. A great cattle fair is held at the time of the chief car festival in Masi (February) of the local Badra-Kaliamman temple, both of which draw nearly 50,000 people from Salem, Dharmapuri, Namakkal, Tiruchengode and even from Tiruchirapalli and Madurai districts.

Badra-Kaliamman temple occupies a space of 76 cents and is surrounded by a large compound wall. The entrance faces north and is surmounted by an unfinished gopuram in a dilapidated condition. There

is another small gopuram on the western wall. There is only one prakaram. There is a tiled front mandapam which is said to be a recent addition where there are four big statues of about 12 feet in height. Two of them are males and two females representing பூத கணங்கள் (Boothaganangal) normally encountered in the temples of village deities. Besides, there are coloured wall paintings representing Badrakali and மீனாட்சி திருக்கல்யாணம் (the celestial marriage of Meenakshiamman). There is another Mahamandapam supported by stone pillars. Horse statues, normally found in temples of village deities, are in ruined conditions in the prakaram. Even though this temple is dedicated to village Goddess, its structure follows more or less Agamam principles. There are images for Virappan, Vignesvara and Bhairavan. The stone image of the presiding deity Badrakaliamman is an installed one of six feet in height. With about Rs. 5,000/- worth of jewellery, the image is very much impressive. Three poojas are performed daily by a hereditary non-Brahmin priest belonging to the local Kulalar Community. However, devotees, numbering nearly one hundred, visit on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. About two hundred devotees visit on New Moon days. Navarathri and Car festival are the two annual festivals. As already indicated, the annual car festival is attended by nearly 50,000 devotees. There are three cars, two Rathams, one palanquin and four vahanams, all of which are wooden except a brass Kamadenu Vahanam. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 803/-. The affairs of the temple are managed by a Board of three trustees.

# MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE THERE ARE TEMPLES IN OMALUR, SANKARI & TIRUCHENGODE TALUKS

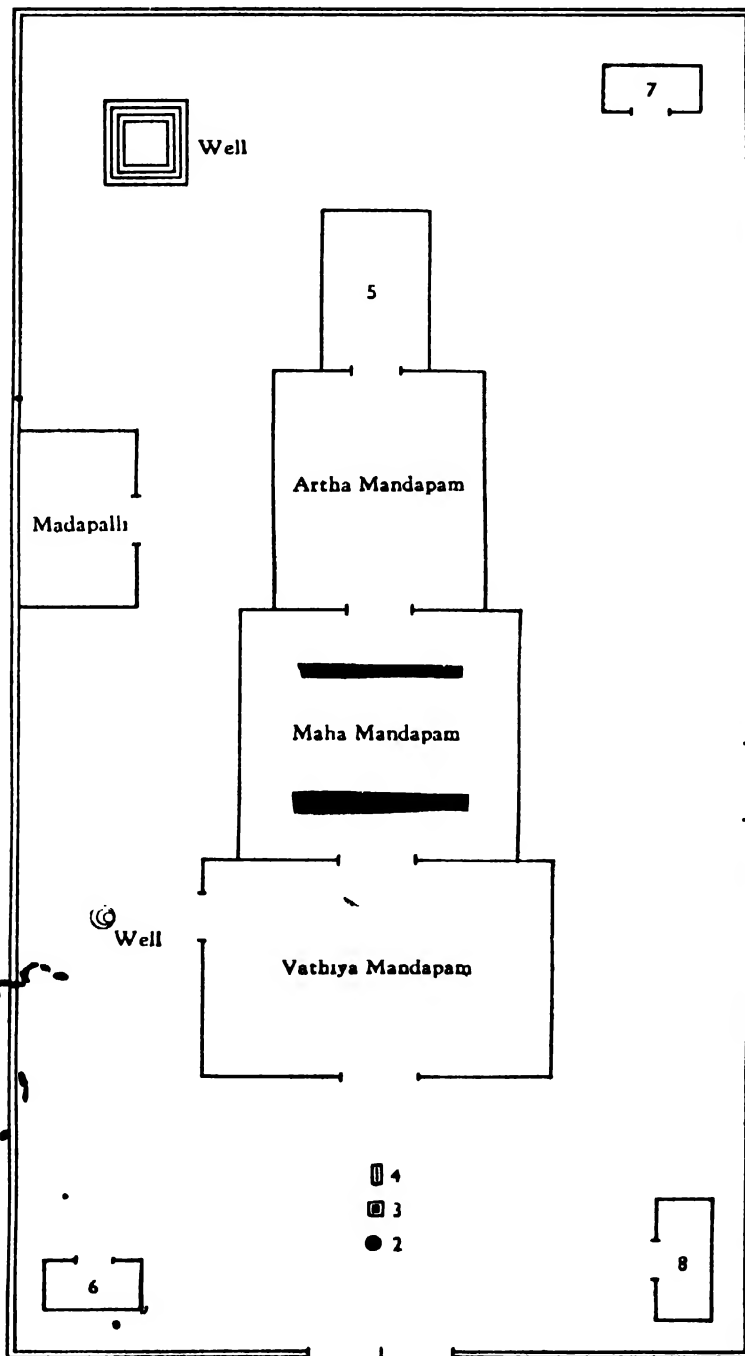




# SRI BADRA KALIAMMAN TEMPLE

MECHERI

(Not to Scale)



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Main gopuram of the Bhadrakaliamman Temple, Mecheri.



Image of Bhadrakali Amman.





Bhoothas at the entrance to the temple.



## 40. KARAVALLI

**Prasanna Venkataramanaswami temple**

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Prasanna Venkataramanaswami temple in Karavalli (Marakkottai) Panchayat is otherwise known as சின்னத் திருப்பதி (Chinna or small Tirupathi). It is a rock temple. There are 830 houses in the panchayat. At the third mile from Omalur, on the National Highways from Salem to Bangalore, the road branches towards west and then takes a turn towards North. At the fifth mile on this branch road lies Chinna Tirupathi. Thimmappatti on the Salem-Jalarpet section of the Southern Railway is the nearest railway station, about 5 miles east of the panchayat. After a new branch of railway line is opened, there will be a railway station for the local panchayat itself. The panchayat is well known in the nearby localities for the weekly shandy on Saturdays and the Vishnu temple. The hillock is a small one but gives a good appearance with the temple on its top, occupying a space of 230 ft. × 118 ft. The temple is surrounded by a wall of brick and mortar with one prakaram. The built up area of the temple occupies a space of 100 ft. × 29 ft. There is no gopuram at the entrance, but there is a Vimanam over the sanctum sanctorum. The image of the presiding deity is in a standing posture of about 5 ft. His consort's image is in Artha Mandapam. Venkatachalapathy is the presiding deity and Alamelu Mangai is His Consort. There are also images for Anjaneyar, Ramanujar, Thirumangai Mannar, Udaiyavar, Vishvaksenar and Vinayagar. The presiding deity of this temple and that of Tirupathi in Andhra Pradesh are said to be brothers. According to local legend, both the brothers applied oil at Tirupathi and came over here for அரப்பு (Arappu or soapnut powder). The elder brother returned to Tirupathi but the younger one took abode here itself. Daily one pooja is performed by a hereditary Brahmin. Saturday being the local shandy day, about 50 devotees visit the temple on that day. Gokulashtami, Vaikunta Ekadasi, Ugadhi, Karthigai Deepam and the annual Car festival in the month of Purattasi (புரட்டாசி)

(September-October) are the festivals celebrated in the temple. The only wooden car is of recent origin, built some 30 years back. The car festival, which coincides with Navarathri is claimed to attract 5,000 devotees. The temple owns Rs. 1,000 worth of jewellery. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 3,270/-. The temple is managed by a single trustee.

## 49. BALBAKKI

**Kaliamman Temple**

Balbakki is a village about two miles north of Omalur, the taluk head quarters. At the time of 1961 Census, there were 249 houses inhabited by 1,455 persons. The village is well known in the nearby localities for its village deity Kaliamman. The temple is a small one said to have been constructed by one Guruvan poojari about 100 years back and subsequently renovated by Kailasa Mudaliar. The Temple has no gopuram or prakaram. It occupies a space of about 10 cents. But the rural folks have more faith in the temple and consider the deity more powerful. Mondays and Fridays are considered to be sacred. Poojas are performed only on these two days in a week by a hereditary Chettiar. The Temple has two wooden cars. The chief annual car festival is celebrated for three days commencing on Wednesday in the month of தை (Thai-January-February). It attracts a crowd of 5,000 to 10,000 devotees. There are festival images for Mari and Kali. They are kept on a swing in the front Mantapam. At the entrance, there are two big images of about 6 ft. in height one representing a male பூதம் (Bootham-Demon) and the other representing that of a female. This is the usual practice in the Temples of Village deities. Over the main sanctum sanctorum a small Vimanam with three Kalasams (கலசம்) has been constructed. Structurally it follows the pattern of a gopuram. In fasli 1375, the Temple had an annual income of Rs. 904/-. The Temple has

no landed properties, but derive its income from the offerings of devotees. A Board of five Trustees manages the affairs of the Temple.

## 87. TARAMANGALAM

### Kailasanathar Temple

On the way to Mettur dam, about 15 miles north-west of Salem lies Kailasanathar temple of Taramangalam, which is widely known for the excellent stone carvings on the pillars. A view is held that this had come up in the first half of the seventeenth century, the golden period of the Maratta Naickers. The origin of the temple is ascribed to three generations of Gatti Mudaliyars. It is believed that Gatti Mudaliyar had a dream about the hidden Lingam, the image of Kailasanathar the presiding deity and built the temple with the treasure lying north of it about which also he had a vision in the dream. The origin of the temple was however long antecedent to any of the Gatti Mudaliars as there is a reference to this temple in a stone inscription dated 1268 A. D. of the Hoysala King Vira Ramanatha. Signs of bow and arrow, tiger and fish, the three emblems of Chera, Chola and Pandya Kings together with வாடாமல்லிகை and வண்ணத்தடுக்கி (a flower and sitting mat) the emblem of Gatti Mudali are found every where in the temple.

The temple has two prakarams and covers an area of about 300' X 160'. Its walls are sculptured with figures of tortoise, crocodile, fish etc. In contrast to the normal procedure, it faces west and the outer prakaram is below the entrance level resembling the temple at Tiruchengode. The entrance has a fine tiered gopuram and panelled doors of vengai wood. They are studded with metal knobs of varying patterns and the panels contain wood carvings depicting stories from puranas. The sides of the flight of steps which descends from the threshold of the entrance are carved to represent a chariot drawn by elephants and horses

There is a Nandhi at the outer prakaram over which there is a canopy. Its pillars and ceilings have stone carvings representing Arjuna's contest and certain adventures of Krishna. Sun's rays pass through the horns of Nandhi and falls on the presiding deity from 9th to 13th of the Tamil month Masi.

At the south west corner of the outer prakaram, there is a small temple for Vinayagar. Its whole structure is made of nine stones. It is said that the artisans engaged in the stone carvings were too haughty and egoistic. Their chief therefore constructed this temple of nine stones without any assistance to prove that he can produce a monumental work without their co-operation. There is also another account according to which it was the achievement of a small boy, an artist, who did it when the elders were engaged in constructing the main temple.

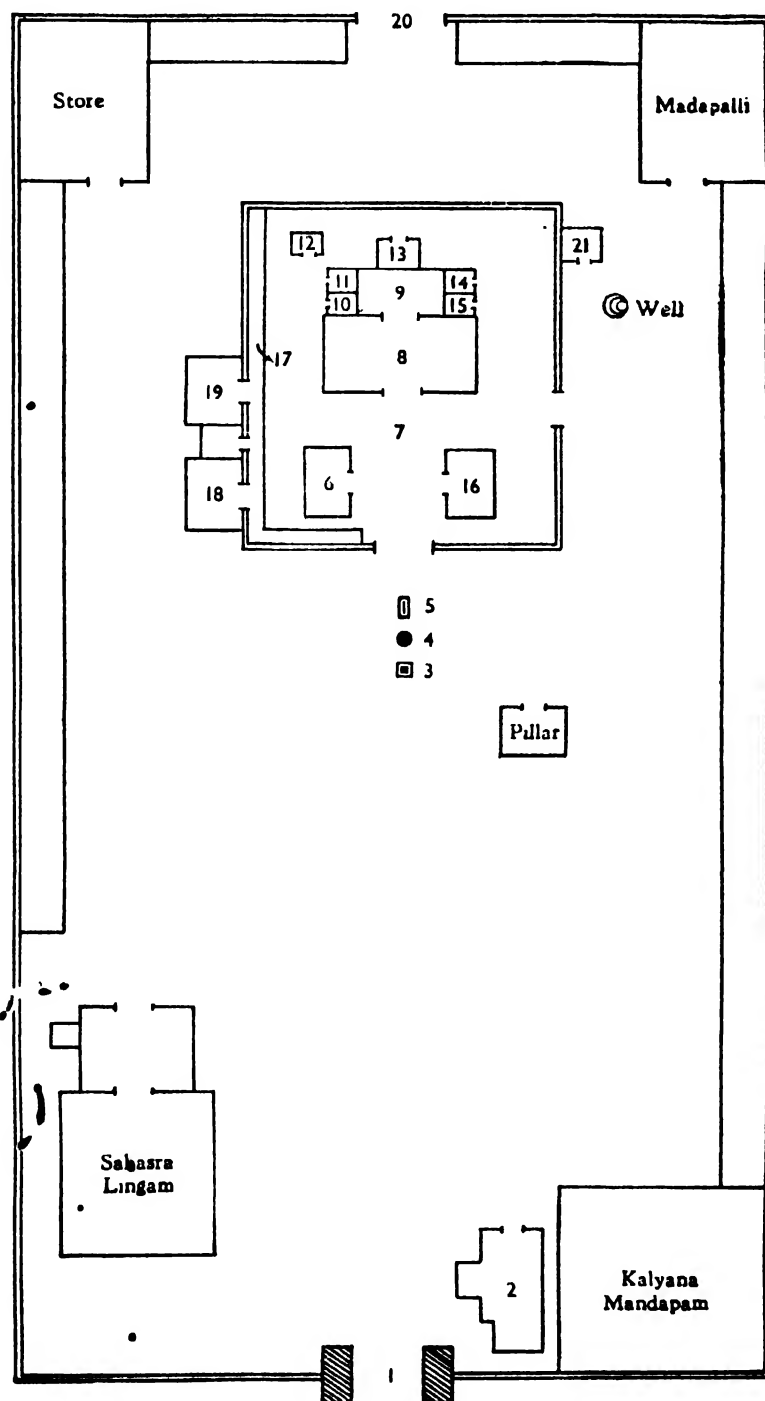
There are six pillars at the entrance to the inner prakaram. Horses are carved in four of the pillars and yalis in the other two. There is a ball of stone about 4" in diameter in the mouth of one of the yalis, which rotates freely inside the mouth but cannot be extracted. The cornice of the portico is cleverly carved with monkeys in natural attitudes. This portico leads to the mahamantapam and inner prakaram which have the finest stone carvings.

The ceiling of the mahamantapam is decorated by a block of stone 7 feet in diameter, carved in the shape of an inverted open lotus with parrots pecking its petals. There is a stone ring at the centre which rotates freely round the stamen but does not come out of pistil. Chains carved out of stone, are also hanging from the pillars supporting the ceiling. One to three stone balls rotate freely in the mouths of yalis over the pillars. Below the lintel level of the pillars there are stone sculptures which include Siva and Vishnu manifestations, saints etc. In two of the sculptures, the artisans have used the basic principle of the path along which

# SRI KAILASANATHAR TEMPLE

## TARAMANGALAM

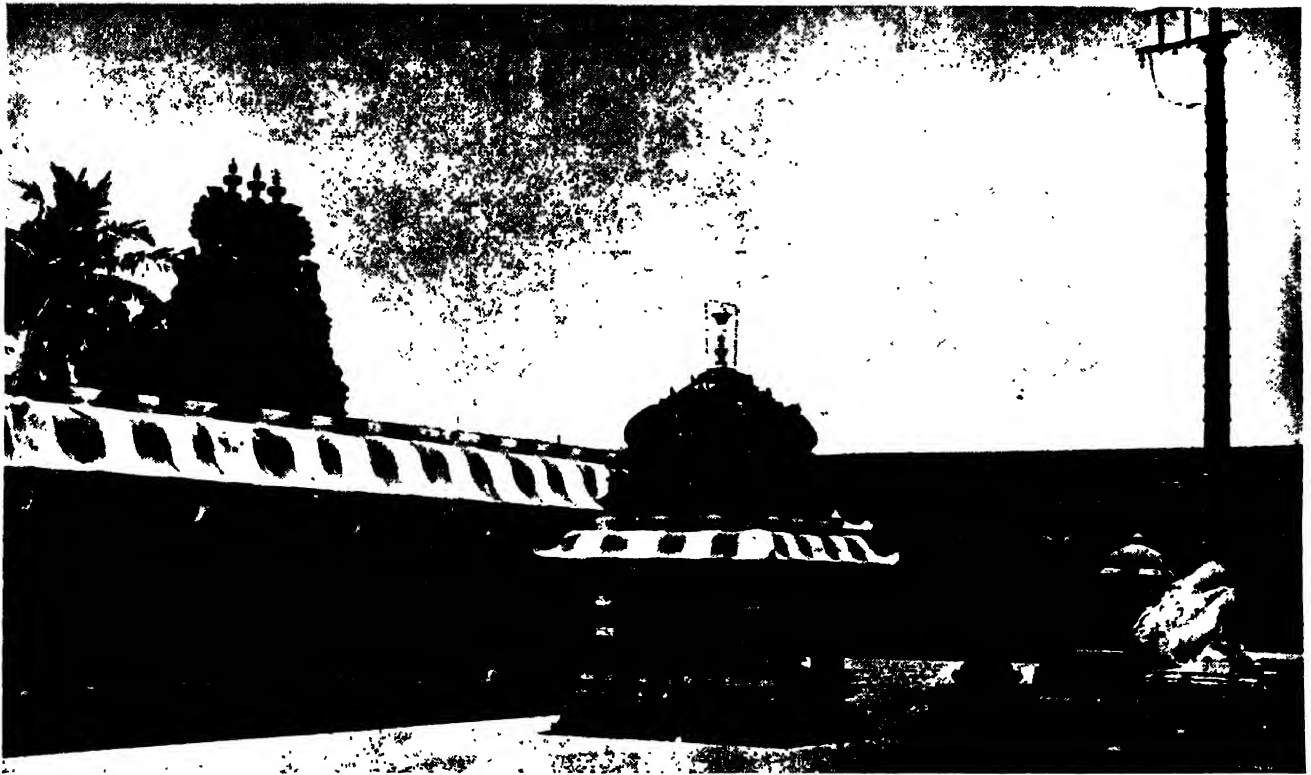
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Sri Kailasanathaswami Temple Taramangalam.



Shrine of Lord Vinayaka in the temple.



Main gopuram in the temple





A beautiful mantapam in the Taramangalam Temple.



A beautifully carved stone pillar in the temple.



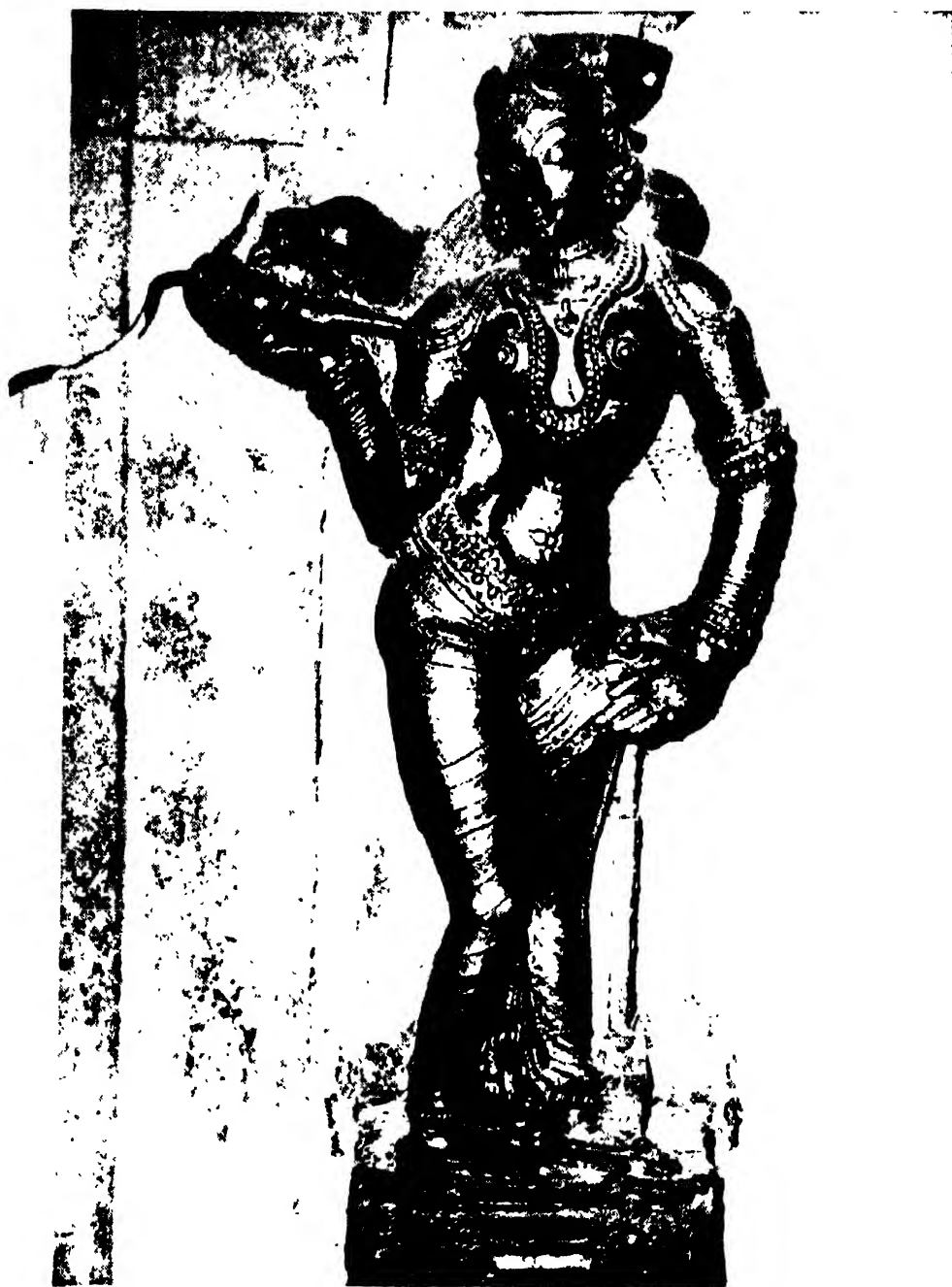
Another beautiful pillar in the temple



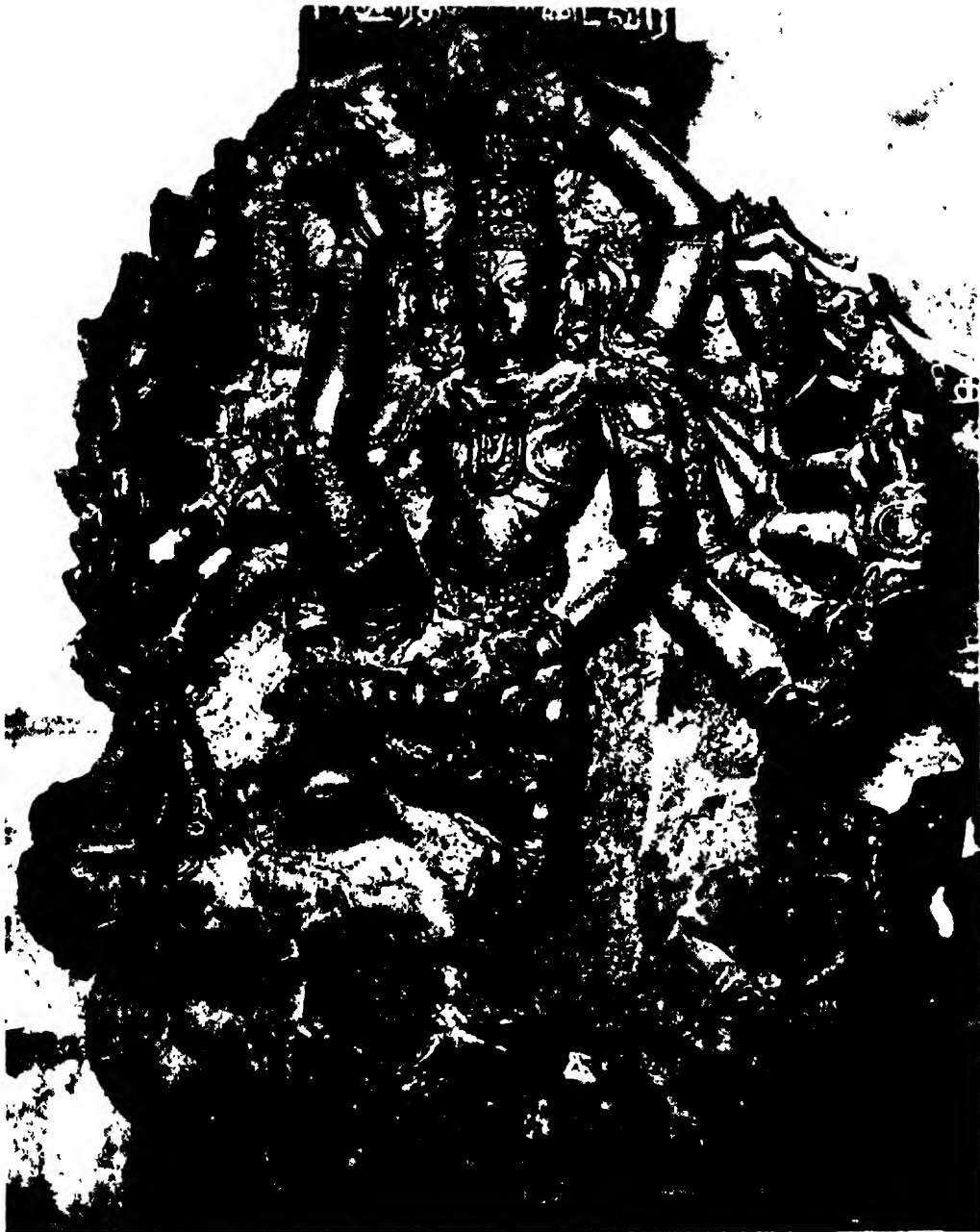
Manmatha -- another beautiful carving



Rati - another beautiful carving.



Rishipatni - an attractive carving in stone.



Oordhwathandavam - a rare carving found in this temple



Statue of Patanjali Muni in the Taramangalam Temple.



light travels and visibility of an object. By applying these principles, an image of Sri Rama was carved out of a stone, from where another stone image of Vali is visible but not the reverse. Some technique has been applied in the stone carvings of Manmathan and Rathi, by which Manmathan is visible for Rathi but Rathi is not visible to Manmathan.

The image of the presiding deity, known as Kailasanathar is a swayambu lingam and faces west. There are separate sanctums for Sri Sivagami Amman His consort and Lord Subramaniam, which face east. Poojas are

performed twice a day. The chief annual festival used to be celebrated in the month of ~~தை~~ (January-February) but is not celebrated after 1961 for want of funds. The annual income for fasli 1375 has been estimated as Rs. 5,504. The temple is managed by a board of five trustees.

To the north-west of the town, there is an octagonal well, enclosed by a circular parapet wall adorned with lions. The lower portion of the wall is square. If a stone is thrown on the parapet wall, it goes round the wall and reaches the same place.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	1	Kaveripuram (P)	Kaveripuram	Sri Jalakandeswarar Devasthanam (S)	Not known	1.00	Sri Jalakandeswarar Sri Ranganathar Sri Kottai Venkataramar	Mettur Dam Railway station 10 miles
2	5	Mallikundam (P)	Mallikundam	Sri Narasimhaswami temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Narasimhaswami	Mecheri Road Railway station 5½ miles
3	„	do	do	Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Badrakaliyamman	do
4	7	Vellar (P)	Vellar	Sri Mallikarjuneswarar temple (S)	150	0.60	Sri Mallikarjuneswarar	Mecheri Road Railway station 6 miles
5	„	do	do	Sri Perumal temple (V)	300	0.30	Sri Chennakesava Perumal	Mecheri Road Railway station 7 miles
6	„	do	do	Sri Kaligoundanur Subramaniaswami temple (M)	200	0.01	Sri Subramaniaswami	do
7	17	Deevathipatti (P)	Deevathipatti	Sri Eripatty Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	1.00	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Danishpet Railway station 4 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.		Ref. for deciphered ones				Non-deciphered but reported to exist	
					Appraised by	Reported by temple						
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board</b>												
1,440	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	Rishabham Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal Twice a day for Ranganathar temple by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Gokulashtami Thiruvathirai Sivarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi Deepavali Ugadhi	188-195 of 1927	...	
220	0.75	13.68	...	...	...	15	Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No	
660	Extent not stated			...	...	50	Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No	
896	...	...	...	...	...	1,500	Car Rishabam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Ugadhi Adi Perukku Deepavali	...	No	
600	24.00	...	...	...	...	100	Garudan	Once a week by a hereditary Sathani	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Jayanthi	...	No	
1,475	19.84	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Gurukkal	Thai Poosam Panguni Uthiram Karthigai Deepam	...	No	
500	...	...	10.00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes	

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
8	20	Bukkampatti (P)	Bukkampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	70	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Mecheri Road Railway station 5 miles
9	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	60	Not stated	Sri Vinayagar	do
10	„	do	do	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	60	Not stated	Sri Chenroya Perumal	do
11	21	Amaram (P)	Amaram	Sri Kasilingaswami temple (S)	Not known	0.50	Sri Kasilingeswarar	Kuttapatti Railway station 4 miles
12	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Mariamman	do
13	„	do	Amaram (Pukkampatti)	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	20	0.03	Sri Kamakshiamman	Kuttapatti Railway station 4½ miles
14	22	Mecheri (P)	Mecheri	Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)	200	0.76	Sri Badrakaliyamman	Mecheri Road Railway station 2½ miles
15	„	do	do	Sri Pasupatheeswarar temple (S)	1,000	0.06	Sri Pasupatheeswarar	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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300	Extent not stated	...	...	...	Horse	Only on festival days by a Poosari	Mariamman Festival in Panguni, Pongal Tamil New Years Day	...	No
.	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	Only on festival days by a Poosari	...	...	No
332	Extent not stated	...	...	20	Garudan Hanumar	Only on festival days by a Poosari	Sri Jayanthi	...	No
300	9'00	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Poosari	...	...	No
.	...	...	6'00	...	...	Once a day by a Gounder	Amman Festival in Thai	...	No
370	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Tamil New years day	—	No
803	...	...	...	...	5,000	Cars-3 Rathams-3 Palanquin Vahanams-4	Thrice a day by a hereditary Kulalar	Navarathri, Car Festival in Masimagam	Yes
756	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes

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	No	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
16	25	Gonur (P)	Veeranur	Sri Navalnatha Muniappar temple (O)	200	0.01	Sri Navalnatha Muniappar	Mettur Dam Railway station 3 miles
17	26	Mettur Town	Mettur Dam (Saniballi)	Sri Chokkanathar Devasthanam (S)	Not known	0.15	Sri Chokkanathar	Mettur Dam Railway station 1 mile
18	37	Sathapadi (P)	Sathapadi	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Thalasampatty Railway station 3 miles
19	38	Aranganoor (P)	Aranganur	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	200	0.01	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	} Omalur Railway station 6 miles
20				Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Chenroya Perumal	
21	„	do	do	Sri Periamariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Periamariamman	do
22	39	Semmandapatti (P)	Semmandapatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	800	0.50	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Omalur Railway station 5 miles
23	„	do	do	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Ekambareswarar	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.						
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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361	...	18 00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in the month of Adi	...	No
440	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	50	Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthuvijaya, Vasami Arudra Dharisanam	...	No
1,000	...	16 00	...	...	...	...	...	Only on important days by a hereditary Vadugar	No	...	No
375	...	7 50	...	...	}	...	Garudan	Once a week by a Vadugar	Sri Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
	...	17 50	...	...		...					
200	...	3 00	...	...	...	...	Horse	Only on important days by a hereditary Kulalar	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
500	1 13	24 68	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Dasari	Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi Tamil New Years day	...	Yes

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples under the Hindu Religious								
24	40	Karavalli (P)	Karavalli	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	600	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Omalur Railway station 8 miles
25	"		Marakottai	Sri Chinna Thirupathi Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	1000	0.07	Sri Venkatachala-pathi	Tinnapatty Railway station 7 miles
26	"	do	do	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	500	0.10	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Omalur Railway station 10 miles
27	41	Kanjanaick-enpatti (P)	Kanjanaick-enpatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Tinnapatty Railway station 3 miles
28	"	do	do	Sri Pappichettipatti Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	100	0.01	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Tinnapatty Railway station 4 miles
29	"	do	do	Sri Pudukottai Mariamman temple (F)	30	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Tinnapatty Railway station 3 miles
30	"	do	do	Sri Uthandiamman temple (F)	50	Below 0.01	Sri Uthandiamman	Omalur Railway station 4 miles
31	"	do	do	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Tinnapatty Railway station 4½ miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	£(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
220	...	5.00	...	...	...	150	Cars-3 Palanquin Lion Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
3,270	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Gokula Vaikuntha Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Ugathi Car Festival in Purattasi	...	No
400	...	19.12	...	...	...	...	Garudan Palanquin	Thrice a week by a Dasar	Sri Jayanthi	...	No
315	...	9.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	...	...	No
200	...	...	8.50	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	...	...	No
310	...	...	...	400	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Amman Festival in Masi or Panguni	...	No
395	...	3.75	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
395	...	10.15	...	...	...	...	Horse	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Gokulashtami Vaikuntha Ekadasi Ugathi	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
32	42	Poosaripatti (P)	Poosaripatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	45	2.22	Sri Mariamman	Tinnapatti Railway station 3 miles
33	43	Ponnappatti (P)	Ponnappatti	Sri Dharmaraja temple (O)	Not known	0.50	Sri Dharmarajar	Tinnapatti Railway station 2½ miles
34				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.10	Sri Mariamman	
35				Sri Sanjiviroyaswami temple (O)		...	Sri Sanjiviroyaswami	
36				Sri Pidariamman temple (F)		...	Sri Pidariamman	
37	45	Thumbipadi (P)	Thumbipadi	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Tinnapatti Railway station 2 miles
38	46	Sikkanampatti	Sikkanampatti	Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	30	0.02	Sri Kaliyamman	Omalar Railway station 3 miles
39	47	Dharapuram (P)	Dharapuram	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	100	0.67	Sri Someswaraswami	Omalar Railway station 4½ miles
40	..	do	do	Sri Lakshminaraswami temple (V)	200	1.00	Sri Lakshminaraswami Perumal	Omalar Railway station 3 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

350	Extent not stated	...	...	...	650	Car Garudan Swan	Only on important days by a hereditary Gounder	Amman Festival in Panguni Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
	...	6'00	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Padayachi	Festival is celebrated once in two years	...	No
	...	4'00	...	...	...	...	...		...	No
700	1'50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin		...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Poosari		...	No
200	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Gokulashtami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Thai	...	No
300	1'25	10'17	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
2,000	1'01	21'17	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religion</b>								
41	49	Balbakki (V)	Balbakki	Sri Kalimman temple (F)	100	0 10	Sri Kaliamman	Omalur Railway static 1½ miles
42	"	"	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0 10	Sri Mariamman	do
43	53	Kuttapatti	Kuttapatti	Sri Samundiamman temple (F)	Not known	0 50	Sri Samundi- amman	Mecheri Road Railway static ½ mile
44	"	do	do	Sri Betrayaswami temple (O)	Not known	0 50	Sri Betrayaswami	do
45	54	Nangavalli	Nangavalli	Sri Lakshminarasim- haswami temple (V)	300	1 00	Sri Lakshminara- simhaswami	Mecheri Road Railway static 3¼ miles
46	55	Veerakal	Veerakal (Mettur)	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	300	0 01	Sri Badrakali- amman	Kuttapatti Railway static 5 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

904	...	...	...	...	...	182	Car	Twice a week by a Chettia	Car Festival in Thai	...	No
1 516	Extent not stated			...	...	61	Car	Twice a week by a Pandaram	Car Festival in Thai	...	No
300	...	61.83	...	...	...	611	Bhoodham	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Ugadhii Sivarathri Gokulashtami Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
300	0.38	7.73	...	...	...	2 335	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Gokulashtami Panguni Uthiram Karthigai Deepam Adiperukku Vaikunta Ekadasi Thaipoesam	...	No
1,200	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rathams-3 Palanquin Hansa Lion Seshan Garudan Haruman Elephant Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Car Festival in Panguni	...	Yes
503	18.00	...	...	...	...	...	Horse	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival Muniappar Festival	...	Yes

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
47	57	Palamalai (P)	Palamalai (Chet' yur)	Sri Chiddeswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.01	Sri Chiddeswaraswami	Mettur Railway station 14 miles
48	58	Thi (P)	Nattamangalam (Mettur dam)	Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Karia Perumal	Mettur Dam Railway station 6 miles
49	60	Vanavasi (P)	Vanavasi	Sri Someswarar temple (S)	100	0.50	Sri Someswaraswami	Macheri Road Railway station 4 miles
50	67	Theenda-mangalam (P)	Theenda-mangalam	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.15	Sri Chenroya-perumel	Omalur Railway station 4 miles
51	..	do	do	Sri Mallikarjunaswami temple (S)	Not known	0.14	Sri Mallikarjunaswami	Omalur Railway station 3½ miles
52	69	Omalur (P)	Kottamettupatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	500	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	Omalur Railway station ½ mile
53	..	do	Omalur	Sri Vijayaraghaveswarar temple (V)	900	0.10	Sri Vijayaraghaveswaraswami	do
54				Sri Vasantheeswarar temple (S)			Sri Vasantheeswaraswami	
55	..	do	do	Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Drowpathi Amman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

3,883	...	...	...	...	...	...	Prabhavali	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Amman Festival in Masi Sivarathri	...	No
1,993	...	...	8.51	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Sathanatha Archagar	...	...	No
280	...	...	...	24.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	...	...	No
240	0.61	17.53	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a Poosari	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
210	...	13.03	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
200	...	16.42	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
1,343	...	5.45	...	14.00 Houses-4	...	600	Cars-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Battachariar	Chitra Pournami Navarathri Vinayaga Chathurthi Karthigai Deepam Gokulashtami	...	No
245	...	...	...	3.00 shops-2	...	250	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi Panguni Uthiram Ugathi	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Amman Festival in Vaikasj	...	No

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S. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
56	69	Omalur (P)	Omalur	Sri Kottaimariamman temple (F)	300	1-00	Sri Kottaimariamman	Omalur Railway station 2 furlongs
57	„	do	do	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari temple (F)	50	0-03	Sri Ramalingachowdeswari	Omalur Railway station ½ mile
58	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	300	0-50	Sri Angalamman	Omalur Railway station 2 furlongs
59	83	Omalur	Muthunaickanpatti	Sri Kadiroya Perumal temple (V)	250	Below 0-01	Sri Kadiroyaperumal	Omalur Railway station 3 miles
60	86	Sikkampatti (P)	Sikkampatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	25	0-50	Sri Chenroyaswami	Omalur Railway station 5 miles
61	87	Taramangalam (P)	Taramangalam	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	50	0-05	Sri Subramaniyar	Omalur Railway station 6 miles
62	„	do	do	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	700	1-63	Sri Kailasanathar	Omalur Railway station 6 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
1,077	...	...	...	14 00	...	80	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Mariamman Festival in Masi	...	No
1,391	...	...	...	0.75 Shops 10	...	1,000	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Vayaka Channathi Navarathri Karthiga Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Panguni Uthiram	...	No
350	...	...	...	8.30 Coconut trees-9	...	250	Car	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Masi Magham Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Adiperukku Ugadhi	...	No
300	...	7.00	...	...	...	50	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Purattasi Festival	...	No
200	...	...	...	24.00	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Soora Samharam Navarathri	...	Yes
5,504	1.97	6.97	...	0.63	...	2,500	Car Palanquin Tiger Peacock Bhootham Elephant Rishabams 2 Horse Indravimanam Bandicoot Kailasam Swan	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam Thaipooam Navarathri Soora Samharam	19-20 of 1900	...

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	No.	Name						(Nearest Railway station)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
63	90	Ramireddipatti (P)	Ramireddipatti	Sri Kariakali- amman temple (F)	800	0.23	Sri Kariakali- amman	Omalar Railway station 8 miles
64	..	do	do	Sri Thiagaraja- temple (S)	200	0.25	Sri Thiagaraja- swami	do
65	94	Jalakandapuram (P)	Jalakandapuram	Sri Subramania- swami temple (M)	100	0.10	Sri Subramania- swami	Kuttapatti Railway station 7 miles
66	102	Konagapadi (P)	Konagapadi	Sri Ranganathaswami temple (V)	170	Below 0.01	Sri Kavetti Ran- ganathar	Salem Railway station 6 miles
67	..	do	Pothananoor	Sri Periamariamman temple (F)	530	0.02	Sri Periamari- amman	Omalar Railway station 5 miles
68	113	Karuppur (P)	Karuppur	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	Not known	0.15	Sri Kailasana- thar	Karuppur Railway station
69	..	do	do	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	30	0.05	Sri Subramania- swami	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others							
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,521	0 81	31.84	...	...	...	580	Cars-3 Horse Bhootham Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Masi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Mil New Y...	...	No
698	...	29.03	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
3,996	...	...	...	Shops-8	...	3,000	Peacock Horse Mooshikam Vimanam Sooran	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thai Poosam Vinayaga Chathurthi Navarathri Skandasashti Karthigai Deepam	...	No
420	...	49 14	...	...	...	1,500	Ratham Palanquin Garudan Horse Anjaneya Sesham	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Chithira Pournami Sri Rama Navami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
918	4.00	...	...	...	...	200	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Mariamman Festival in the month of Masi	...	No
315	...	...	...	36.42	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	No
263	Extent not stated			...	12	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipooam Panguni Uthiram Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
70	113	Karuppur (P)	Karuppur	Sri Perumal temple (V)	35	0.36	Sri Karia Perumal	Karuppur, Railway station
71	117	Pagalpatti (P)	Pagalpatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal Devasthanam (V)	100	1.65	Sri Chenroya Perumal Sri Bujengeswarar Sri Chennakesava Perumal Sri Jadaimariamman Sri Selavaroya-Perumal	Pagalpatti Railway station 1 mile
72	120	Dasavilakku (P)	Thasaivilakku	Sri Padavettiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.20	Sri Padavettiamman	Omalar Railway station 10 miles
73	„	do	do	Sri Ulageswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.20	Sri Ulageswara-swami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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368	0.92	11.29	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Sokulashtami	...	No
8,121	146.29	19.07	...	...	...	310	Car Palanquin Garudans-2 Seshans-2 Hanumar Lion Rishabam Ratham	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Tamil New Year's day Sri Jayanthi Navarathri Ratha Sapthami Sri Rama Navami Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	2.28	24.94	...	...	...	250	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
700	Extent not stated	43.67	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Sivarathri Thruvathirai	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples outside the Hindu Religious								
1	46	Sikkanam-patti (V)	Sikkana	Sri Perumal temple (V)	100	0.10	Sri Perumal	Omalur Railway station 3 miles
2	47	Darapuram (P)	Darapuram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	Tinnapatty Railway station 3 miles
3	64	Amarakundi (P)	Amarakundi	Sri Chockanatheswarar temple (S)	600	0.34	Sri Chockanatheswarar	Tolasampatti Railway station 2½ miles
4	"	do	do	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami (O)	400	0.01	Sri Hanumantharoyaswami	do
5	"	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	600	0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
6	"	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	1000	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Tolasampatti Railway station 1 mile
7	"	do	do	Sri Veereswarar temple (S)	1000	0.02	Sri Veereswarar	do
8	73	Pottipuram	Pottipuram	Sri Lakshmi Narayana temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Lakshmi Narayanan	Tinnampatti Railway station 3 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
300	...	...	...	9 00	...	1,000	...	Once a week by a Poosam	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
307	0 49	...	...	...	...	116	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Masi Karthigai Deepam Ugadh	...	No
120	1 27	13 85	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Gurukkal	'Puttu' Festival Thai Poosam Panguni Uthiram	...	Yes
40	0 51	7 14	...	...	...	...	...	Only on important days by a Brahmin	No	...	No
120	...	16 55	...	...	...	...	...	Only on important days by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
200	...	4 00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by an Archagar	Pongal Deepavali Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
9	93	Surapalli (V)	Surapalli	Sri Kalyana Subra- maniar temple (M)	85	0.01	Sri Subramaniam	Mecheri Road Railway station 7 miles
10	95	Avadathur (P)	Avadathur	Sri Ramalingachow- deeswari Amman temple (F)	42	0.15	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari- amman	Omalar Railway station 12 miles
11	121	Papampadi (P)	Papampadi	Sri Chenroya Peru- mal temple (V)	200	0.32	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Omalar Railway station 9½ miles
12	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Omalar Railway station 10 miles
13	„	do	do	Sri Pidariamman <i>alias</i> Sri Karikaliamman temple (F)	80	0.03	Sri Pidariamman	do
14	„	do	do	Sri Sanjeeviroya Peru- mal temple (O)	300	0.09	Sri Sanjeeviroyar	Omalar Railway station 9½ miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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2,800 <sup>p</sup>	...	...	...	Shops	...	3,000	Bandicoot Vimanam Peacock Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Soora Samharam Vinayaga Chathurthi Navarathri Karthiga Deepam Thaipooosam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	No	...	No
200	1.32	4.90	..	...	...	300	Garudan	Once a day by a hereditary Battachariar	Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
50	...	6.35	...	...	...	150	Lion Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Mariamman Festival in Masi	...	No
50	...	1.54	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
50	...	2.46	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No



MAP EXHIBITING THE CENTRES WHERE  
THERE ARE TEMPLES IN

YERCAUD, SALEM, RASIPURAM & ATTUR TALUKS



# REFERENCE

District Boundary ---  
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Categories of Temples and  
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Shiva ---  
Vishnu ---  
Murugan ---  
Ganapathi ---  
Ammann ---  
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KALLAKURICHI TALUK  
SOUTH ARCOOT DISTRICT

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ATTUR TALUK

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TRICHENGODE TALUK

NAMAGAL TALUK

MUSIRI TALUK  
TRICHIRAPPALLI DISTRICT

PERAMBALUR TALUK  
TRICHIRAPPALLI DISTRICT

CROSS-MADURAS



## YERCAUD TALUK

### 3. SHEVAROYS

#### **Shervarayan temple at Asambur**

The hills of Salem and Dharmapuri districts are noted for their picturesque beauty. Shevaroy hill situated in the central region of Yercaud taluk, covering about 100 square miles is one among them. Some of the peaks in this hill range are above 5,000 feet. An estimated quantity of 6.7 million tons of good bauxite is found in Shevaroy hills. A road to the bauxite mine branches from Yercaud-Nagalur road. Shervarayan Temple is at the second mile on this branch road. But for this two miles of rough surface, it is well connected by tarred roads with Yercaud, the taluk head quarters and Salem the district headquarters, which are at a distance of 6 and 25 miles respectively. The age of this cave temple is claimed to be 1,000 years. Thirty years back, a small stone mantapam and a tin shed were erected in front of the cave by the villagers of Asambur. However, neither historical nor mythical account is available about the origin of the cave and its temple. The temple occupies a space of 50 cents. In front of the temple, there is a well, which is considered sacred and which never dries up. In outward appearance, the temple will look like a very small tin shed. But the inside of the cave temple extends upto a distance of about 20 yards with a height of about 5 to 6 ft. Shervaraya Perumal is the presiding deity. His consort is Kaveri Amman. On Mondays and Wednesdays of every week a priest from

a hereditary Malayala Gounder family from Manjakottai, a nearby village, visits the Temple, cooks rice and performs pooja with coconut and plantain. It is obligatory on his part to be a strict vegetarian. When, at one time or other, almost all the tribal or village temples performed animal sacrifice either openly or in a secret way, it is really strange to hear that there is no sacrifice of fowl or animal at any stage in the known past. The temple celebrates an annual festival on the Full Moon day in the month of Vaikasi வைகாசி (May-June). Nearly 10,000 devotees congregate at this temple on that occasion. Almost all the tribal people visit the temple. Special buses are arranged for the occasion. About 100 temporary shops are reported to shoot up on that occasion. About seven years back, the temple acquired a wooden palanquin and about six years back a silver vahanam was acquired. The temple owns five acres of wet land, which is enjoyed by the priest as a service inam. The temple reports jewellery to an estimated value of Rs. 1,500 -. The temple derives its income mainly from hundi collections and offerings by devotees which is reported to be Rs. 250 -. The temple is managed by a single trustee.

According to one of the views about the nomenclature it is said that the term 'Shervarayan' is a corruption of 'Seru Rayan' or deity worshipped by Chera dynasty. Another view is that the temple would have been a Siva temple in the unknown past and 'Shervarayan' is a corrupted version of 'Siva Rayan'.

## YERCAUD

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

## Temples under the Hindu Religious

1	3	Shevaroys (P) or Yercaud	Arangam (Shevaraya hill)	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	10	0.04	Sri Kamakshi- amman	Ayodhya pattinam Railway station 12½ miles
2				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	

## Temples outside the Hindu Religious

1	3	Shevaroys (P) (or Yercaud)	Talasolai	Sri Annamalaiar temple (O)	Not known	0.50	Sri Annamalaiar	Salem Junction 23 miles
2	„	do	Assambur	Sri Shervaroyaswami temple (O)	1,000	0.50	Sri Shervaroyar	Salem town Railway station 25 miles
3	„	do	Arangam	Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	10	0.04	Sri Kaliyamman	Ayodhyapattinam Railway station 12½ miles
4	„	do	Muluvi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	125	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Salem Railway station 24 miles

## TALUK

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical* rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

461	Extent not stated				...	...	500	Horses-2 Peacock	Once a month by a hereditary Gounder	Panguni Uthiram Adi Perukku Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Pongal	...	No
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## and Charitable Endowments Board

...	...	...	...	60'00	...	...	Car	Once a month by a Poosari	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
250	5'00	...	...	...	...	1,500	Palanquin Vahanam (silver)	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	Vaikasi Pournami	...	No
500	Extent not stated			...	...	500	Horses-2 Peacock	Once a month by a hereditary Gounder	Adi Perukku Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Pongal Panguni Uthiram	...	No
20	...	...	...	0'75	...	250	Lion Chapparam	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No

## SALEM TALUK

### 69. SALEM

#### Sukavanceswarar Temple

Salem, the headquarters of the district of the same name is the State's fifth large town with an area of 7.89 square miles and a population of 249,145 persons. It is a leading handloom weaving centre. It is gradually turning out to be an industrial centre. A good number of Hosiery & Knitting Mills are well established here. It is well connected by road and rail with the State's capital. The chief Siva temple of this place is the Sukavaneeswarar temple. At the heart of Salem town, lies Sukavaneeswarar temple. It is about four miles from Salem junction and two furlongs from Salem town. The temple stands on an area of about 75 cents, facing east. It has two entrances on east and west each, two mandapams and a tank. At its north east corner is a separate sanctum sanctorum for Amman. Vinayagar and Arumugar images are in the south-west and north-west corners of the temple. Besides, there are images of sixty Nayanmars, four saints and seven goddesses on the southern side; of Ayyappan, Gangalamurthy, Kasiviswanathar, Pancha Bootha Lingam, Kalaimagal, Gaja Lakshmi and Jeshta Dhevi on the western side; of Chandekeswarar on the northern side and of Bhairavar and Surya Bhagavan on the eastern side of the only Prakaram.

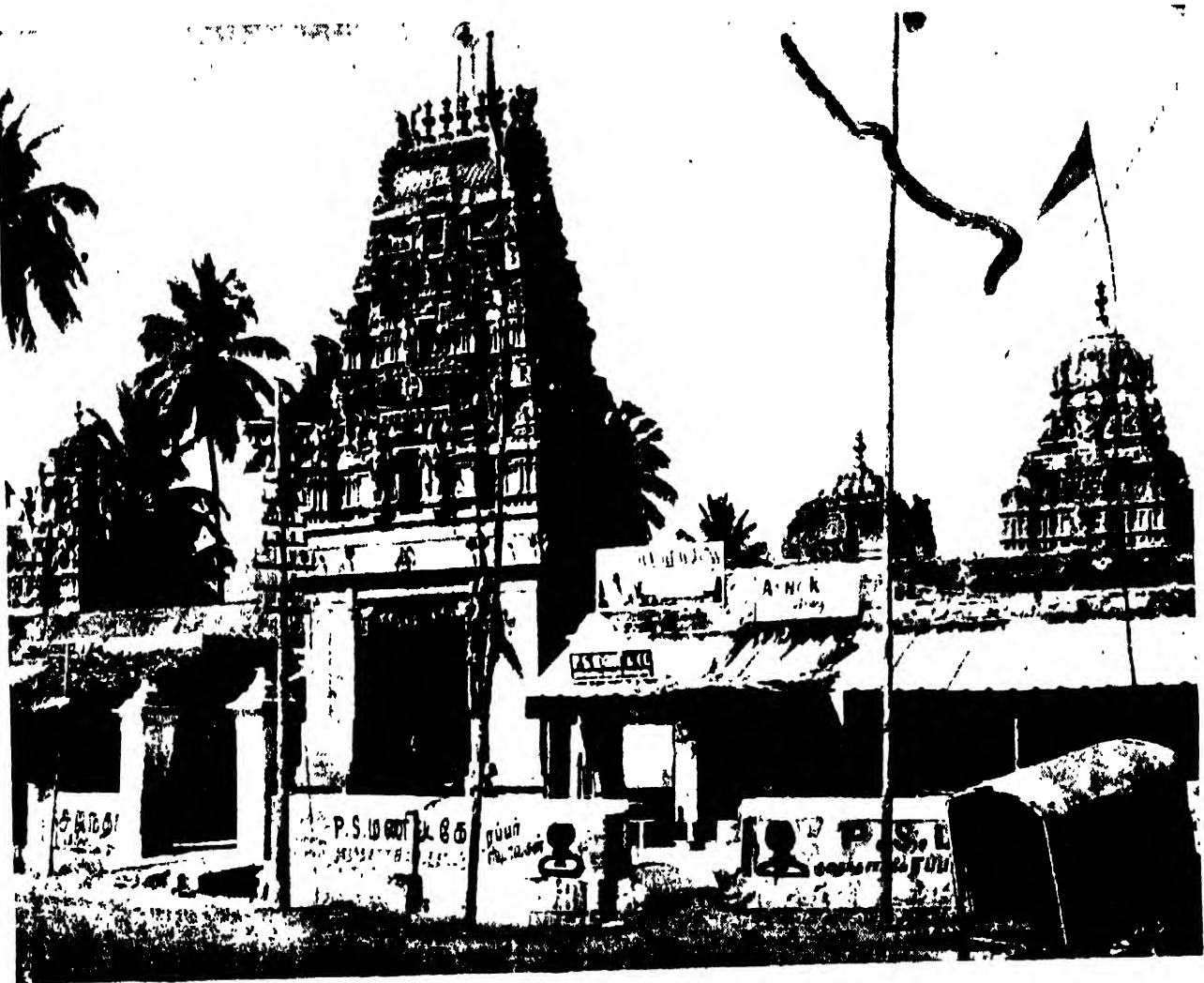
The image of the presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam facing east. The presiding deity is known as Sukavaneeswarar, which means the Lord of the parrot and also of forest. According to a legend, Brahma cursed sage Suka to be a parrot. Once Vachchirakanthan, a hunter aimed at a group of parrots. The parrots took shelter in an ant-hill. The hunter destroyed the ant-hill and was killing the parrots. But sage Suka in the form of parrot, tried to protect with stretched wings the image of the Lingam, hidden under the ant-hill. However, as soon as the ruthless hunter struck at this parrot, it got redemption from the curse and became once again sage Suka.

The antiquity of the temple is testified by Chola and Pandya inscriptions. In one of the Chola inscriptions the name of the deity is given as Kili Varnam Udayar (the Lord in Parrot colour). He is also known as Patteeswarar, Nageeswarar, Pavanasa- and Mummudinadhar and consequently the place is also referred as Patteeswaram, Nageeswaram, Pavanasam and Mummudi Thalaivasal. According to local legends, the place is known as Sukavanam because the sage Suka got his redemption at this place; as Pateswaram because the divine cow Kamadhenu worshipped the Lord at this place, as Nageeswaram because Adhi Sesha, the serpent King performed poojas and attained divine status at this place; as Pavanasam because the Devas were absolved of their sins after performing poojas at this place and as Mummudi Thalaivasal because all the three crowned Kings (Cheran, Cholan and Pandyan) offered worship at this place.

“நெங்கள் குடையுடைச் சேர, நும் சோழ, நும்  
பாண்டிய, நும்  
மங்கைக்கு அறுநிட வந்து நின் நர் மண்பார் தலே  
சங்கு ஓக்க வெண்குநத்து சன்று பச்சோலை  
சலசலத்து  
துங்குக் கண் முற்றி அடுக்கண் கறுத்து நுவி  
சிவந்து  
பங்குக்கு மூன்று பழந்தரவேண்டும் பன்ன  
துண்டமே”

The above is a song by Avvaiyar, the famous Tamil Poetess classified as ஐந்தடிக்கலித்துறை in Tamil literature. Avvaiyar belongs to the Sangam age (A D 100 to 250) and has composed many Tamil poems and couplets of pedagogical nature such as Aththichchoodi, Kondraivendhan, Moothurai, Nalvazhi etc. which give moral directives both to the young and old of all nations. Some of her songs, it is believed, had magical power too. In fact, a few of her life accounts are beyond one's belief, being clothed in magic and miracles. Yet it is an historical fact, that this old poetess was closely connected with Athiyaman Nedumananji, one of the seven philanthropists and the three crowned Kings of Sangam age. It is said, once





Sri Sukavaneeswarar Temple, Salem.



A view of the mantapams in the Sukavaneswarar Temple.

the Poetess arranged for the marriage of Angavai (அங்கவை) and Sangavai (சங்கவை) (according to another version to Pirevi, daughter of a shepherdess Madhavi). The three crowned Kings attended the marriage in response to a personal invitation by the poetess, but demanded that Nongu (நொங்கு) i.e. the tender kernel of the palmyrah fruit should be served to them, knowing fully well that it was out of season for it. Without hesitation or being perturbed over the demand, Avvai immediately sang the above song by addressing the palmyrah wood pieces lying nearby. It is said, the pieces instantaneously became a full grown palmyrah tree and yielded the Nongu (the tender kernel). To symbolise this incident, there is an image of three spherical stones together, in front of Valampuri Vinayagar's shrine at the southwest corner of the temple prakaram. Whether this legend has any link to the name of this place as Mummudi Thalaivasal referred to already or whether the story narrated in connection with a temple in Athur taluk also has some truth behind it, is a matter for deep study.

The image of Amman in standing posture is very impressive. She is known as Swarnambigai Sonnammai Maragadhavalli and Pachchai Nayagi. Her sanctum sanctorum is at the northeast Corner of the temple facing south.

In those days, there was a deep circular well called Amanduga Thirtham or frogless spring in between the presiding deity and His consort. Adhishesha the serpent of thousand heads is said to have frequented the well and frightened all the frogs away. Even if a frog is dropped into the well, it is said to turn black and die. At the renovation in 1947 the well was closed and a colourful image of Nandhi was constructed on it.

There is a reference to this temple in Tiruppugazh (திருப்புகழ்) by Arunagirinathar. Ten inscriptions are found in this temple. They were copied in the year 1888 as items 42 to 51. These stone inscriptions are found on both sides of the entrance to the sanctum sanctorum of the presiding deity, on the pillars of the Nirutha Mandapam, and on stones at the entrance to Amman's shrine. These stone inscriptions relate to the periods of Ko-Parakesari Varman, Ko-Rajakesari Varman and Sundara Pandian, whose period has been fixed as 1275 to 1302 A. D. Even though the temple is an ancient one, it presents a modern appearance. It may perhaps be the result of renovation. It is claimed that Kalyana Mandapam and four-pillared Mandapam

in front of the temple was built in 1823 out of donations by Davis, the then District Collector. Subsequent renovations were made in 1947 and 1961.

According to an estimate made by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (Administration) Department upto the end of 1964, the temple had jewellery worth Rs. 44,550. The annual estimated income for fasli 1375 is Rs. 20,033. Of this, the major source is the rent from immovable properties consisting of about 120 acres of wet and dry lands, 8 car sheds, 5 shops and a house-site. The temple gets Rs. 1,800 by way of dastic allowance from Government and Rs. 2,000 by way of hundi collections. It has wooden vahanams of a horse, a rishabam, an elephant and a palanquin.

Poojas are performed five times a day by a non-hereditary Brahmin Gurukkal. The temple celebrates almost all the Hindu festivals, which includes a procession on the first of the Tamil month of *தை* (middle of January) to the locality known as Guhai. The chief annual festival is celebrated in the month of *வைகாசி* (May-June). The executive management of this shrine vests in a Board of five trustees through an Executive Officer.

## 69. SALEM

### Kottai Mariamman temple

Temples dedicated to Mariamman are many in Salem Town. Kottai Mariamman temple is located at the heart of the town, about 5 furlongs from the town railway station. It is claimed to be about 500 years old and got renovated in the year 1881 by one Nagammal. Structurally, it had no special feature. It occupies a space of 100 ft. x 50 ft. In front of the sanctum sanctorum, there is a Mantapam with 48 pillars surmounted by a gopuram. However, the structure does not follow the conventional pattern laid down in Agama Sasthras, normally encountered in Siva or Vishnu temples. The image of the presiding deity is about 2½ feet in a standing posture. A single pooja is performed in a day by a hereditary non-brahmin, belonging to Andi Pandaram community. The presiding deity is considered to be very powerful. Nearly 3 lakhs of devotees from all over the district are claimed to visit the temple at the time of the chief annual festival in the month of *Adi*. (July-August). The festival lasts for twentyone days

The festival image of the presiding deity is taken in procession in various vahanams, which include those of flowers, snake, rishabam, two headed bird, elephant, parrot, lion, annam, yali, horse etc. Offerings are made by the devotees in the form of tonsure shaving, silver or gold coins, cooked rice, seedlings etc. In view of the big crowd on the festival occasion, an exhibition is organised in Salem town to coincide with this annual festival. Till December '62 the devotees offered jewellery to an estimated value of Rs. 14,896. The Temple owns a shop and landed property to the extent of 2 acres, which fetch an annual income of Rs. 2,100. The overall income of the temple during fasli 1375 was assessed at Rs. 13,798. The temple is managed by an Executive Officer and a board of five trustees.

62. SALEM

### Kumaragiri Dhandayuthapani temple

Kumaragiri Dhandayuthapani temple is a hill temple in Ammapettai on the easternmost part of Salem Town. Salem East is the nearest railway station about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the temple. The temple is about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the town proper and about a mile from the State Highways connecting Salem and Attur. The temple is of recent origin and its history goes back to about 40 years. One Karuppannaswami of Ammapettai was its founder. Karuppannaswami is the only son of a local weaver family belonging to Sengundha Mudaliar community. Right from his early childhood, he led a devotional life with his wife and eight children—six males and two females. Once, he came into contact with a Brahmin Sanyasi, who had plans to offer Karuppannaswami as a human sacrifice to Kali, but abandoned his plans at the last moment in obedience to a command from Kali Herself in his dreams. After this, Karuppannaswami turned a true ascetic, gave up his material assets and made a pilgrimage to Palani. There he had a vision of the presiding deity Muruga and a command to build a temple at Kumaragiri. He fulfilled the command by establishing this hill temple. After his death, his wife and he were buried at the foot of the hillock. The hill is about 950 ft. in height, with a flight of steps. There is a lake at the foot of the hill. There are also a Kalyana Mandapam and a 'Dhyana Nilayam' (தியான நிலையம்) at the foot. There is also a Jamboo tree (நாவல் மரம்) at the foot of the hill, to remind the devotees of the wellknown legend of Lord Muruga's pun with the great and eminent Tamil poetess Avvaiyar for hot fruits. On the midway between the foot and the top, there is a small mantapam

for taking rest. At the top, there are images for the presiding deity Dhandayuthapani, Idumban and Vinayagar with a mantapam in front of the sanctum sanctorum. Structurally, the temple gives a modern look with electric lights and a vimanam in the style of gopuram. The image of the presiding deity is 3 ft. high. Three poojas are performed in a day by a non-hereditary Sengundha Mudaliar. Fridays, Sashti, Kirthigai and Full Moon days are important occasions. Panguni Uthiram (பங்குனி உத்திரம்) is the chief annual festival and is claimed to attract a lakh of devotees. The temple has  $4\frac{1}{2}$  acres of barren and 3 acres of wet lands. The value of the temple jewellery is reported to be Rs. 1,500. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 3,277. The temple is managed by a board of five trustees.

### 85. BELUR

#### Sri Thanthondreeswarar temple

Belur is on the border of Salem and Attur taluks and is about twenty miles east of Salem. It is connected by bus and train, the nearest Railway Station Vazhappadi being three miles away. One who proceeds from Salem by road has to travel about 15 miles east on the National Highways towards Athur and then take a turn towards North. At the fifth mile lies Belur on the banks of Vellar river otherwise known as Vasishtanadhi (வசிஷ்ட நதி). In the local sthalapuram, the place has been referred to as Thiruvallore (திருவள்ளூர்). It was published in the year 1927 with 653 verses grouped into 13 sarukkams (சருக்கம்) or chapters. The place has also been mentioned as Veljyur (வெலிபுத்தூர்) in the stone inscriptions.

The image of the presiding deity Thanthondreeswarar of the local Siva temple is a Swayambu Lingam. His consort is known as Aram Valartha Thayar (அரம் வளர்த்த தாயார்) or Dharma Samvardhini (தர்ம சம்வர்த்தினி). Besides the sanctum for the presiding deity and His Consort, there are separate Sanctum Sanctorum for Subramaniar, Vinayagar and Arumugar. The temple is claimed to be very old. From its outward appearance and from the presence of stone inscriptions, the claim seems to be quite reasonable. But the claim that there existed a big fort and the place was once occupied by a royal dynasty is a matter for investigation. However, in the past the temple must have assumed more importance than at present. Even though there is no gopuram, the stone carvings and the massive structure of the temple are impressive.



• Pathway leading to Kumaragiri Dandayudhapaniswami Temple.



A view of the Kumaragiri hill.



Utsavar idols in the temple. (Sita, Rama, Lakshmana and Hanuman)

There is only one prakaram. Large number of devotees visit the temple on Mondays, which is also the local shandy day. Not knowing the damage that is caused to the temple, they cook their meals all round the prakaram. Unless some steps are taken to discourage this practice the beauty of the stone carvings may be impaired. The temple covers an area of about 5 acres, with nearly 200 pillars some of which contain stone carvings of good workmanship. There is a square mandapam of about 25' X 25' in front of the temple.

According to a local legend, once a merchant, dealing in pepper, halted at the site of the present temple and while grinding his curry-stuff, blood came out of the grinding stone. As he slept that night, Siva appearing before him asked what the merchandise which he carried with him consisted of. To this the merchant replied that he had black gram (உருந்தது) in his sacks. Next day he proceeded on his journey to Ulunthurpettai in South Arcot District and on unloading his goods he found, to his utter disappointment that all his pepper had been turned into black-gram. In answer to his prayers Siva restored the original merchandise. The trader realising the divine act, built this temple at Belur. Inside this temple is an Iluppai tree, which is said to have got transformed from a jack tree by the curse of sage Vasishtha and is likely to become a mango tree, a myrobalan (கெவ்வீ) tree and finally get re-transformed as jack tree. It is said that the seeds of this tree do not grow. It is believed that sage Vasishtha lived under the shadow of a Vilva tree near the hamlet Kurichi, 5 miles away from this temple and performed a yagam (யாகம்). The white soil in the neighbourhood is supposed to be the ashes of the yagam performed by him. Even to-day, the white soil is taken from there and distributed to the devotees instead of the conventional holy ash that is normally distributed in temples. This temple is considered to be one of the five sacred places representing the five natural elements of sky, earth, fire, air and water (பஞ்சபூதம்), on the bank of Vellar river, the others being the temples at Ethapur, Aththur, Aragalur and Koogaiyur all of which are east of Belur.

Two poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 2,394/— . The temple owns dry lands to the extent of 20 acres, which is being leased out. There is an old wooden car, a palanquin and a ratham in the temple. But all of them are in disrepair. Devotees congregate in large numbers on Mondays and New Moon days, Karthigai Deepam, Arudhra Dharishanam Thai Poosam, Masi Magam, Sivarathji and Panguni Uthiram are the festivals celebrated in this temple. This temple is managed by a Board of five trustees.

## 94. AYODHIYAPATNAM

### Kothandaramaswami temple

Ayodhiyapatnam is about five miles east of Salem on the State Highways towards Athur. It is more or less a suburban area of Salem Town and is connected with Salem by town bus. Masinayakkanpatti is the nearest railway station about 3 furlongs away. It is a Panchayat with 1,112 houses and 5,255 persons at the time of 1961 Census. Tradition connects the place with Sri Rama and hence the name Ayodhiyapatnam or 'City of Ayodhya'. On his way back after conquering Ravana, Rama is believed to have stayed here for a day. There is a temple dedicated to Rama or Kothandarama. Its entrance faces east and is surmounted by a five tiered gopuram 150 feet high. There is only one prakaram. The front Mahamandapam is spacious with pillars of good workmanship. There are three musical pillars at the north east corner of the Mandapam. The cornices and horse pillars are reminiscent of the Madura style of the period of Tirumala Nayak. Four figures carved in the Mahamandapam are said to represent Tirumala Nayakar, his wife and two sons. The temple occupies a space of 1½ acres with a Mahamandapam, and an Arthamandapam. The image of the presiding deity Kothandaramar with that of his consort Seethalakshmi is in the sanctum sanctorum. The stone image is about 3 ft.

There are also images for Anjaneyar and Alwars. Two poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin. The annual car festival is celebrated in the month of Chithirai (சித்திரை April-May). It attracts local devotees and devotees from other parts of the taluk. The temple owns immovable property in the form of dwelling houses and about 67 acres of dry land. The temple also possesses some charitable endowments in the form of Devadasi Inam lands. There is a wooden car of about 20 feet in height. There are also wooden Vahanams of Anjaneyar, horse, Elephant, Alwar and a palanquin. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 1,854. The temple is managed by a single hereditary trustee.

## 107. PERUMAMPATTI PANCHAYAT

### Sri Sidheeswarar temple at Kanjamalai

Kanjamalai about 14 Kilometres west of Salem has recently come to limelight by virtue of its abundant resources of raw materials required for steel manufacture. But it is better known from ages past for one of the seven mutts of "Siddhars" the celebrated saints of



the Tamil Nad. Before giving an account of this temple three interesting legends associated with the temples are given below :

According to one of the legends in the Sthalapuram, Adhigaiman the famous and renowned Tamil King, was on a sojourn to Kanjamalai. He met a Siddhar and requested him to give him some medicine, which will avoid death and obtained the legendary "Nellikany" ("நெல்லிக்கனி") from him, which he gave to the famous Tamil Poetess, Avvaiyar. This incident finds a reference in almost all the ancient Tamil literature such as "Paththupattu of Sirupapatruppadai", ("பத்துப்பாட்டு சிறுபாணாற்றுப் பாலை") "Purananooru" (புறநானூறு) "Avvai Thani-pattu" (அவ்வை தனிப் பாட்டு) "Vadamalai Venba" ("வடமலை வெண்பா") and "Thirukkural" ("திருக்குறள்")

According to another legend in the same Sthalapuram, once upon a time, there lived a Brahmin by name Sundaram in the village of Vedha Mangalam of Kalinganad. Being convinced that Saivism is the best of all the six religious systems, he devoted his entire life by visiting all the "Siva Sthalams", worshipping Lord Siva, the first among all Gods. Finally, he reached Sri Karpuranadhar's temple at Uthamacholapuram on the banks of the "Panjakkara Nadhi" (பஞ்சாக்கர நதி) now known as "Thirumanimutharu" ("திருமணிமுத்தாறு") worshipped the Lord and spent the rest of his life in offering pooja daily to Lord Siva. He performed a severe penance, for over one thousand years, desiring to have a dharsan of Lord Siva in the specified form. Pleased at his severe penance, the Lord appeared before him in the same guise as desired by him, gave him a dharsan and told that he took him as his third son, along with his two other sons "Sri Ganapathi" and "Sri Murugan". Then He asked him to pray for any boon, which He would gladly and readily grant. Thereupon, he prayed that he should attain "Siddhi" ("சித்தி") in this worldly life itself and be eternal without any death. Accordingly, the Lord granted him the boon and told him that during "Kritha", "Thretha" and "Dwapara" yugas ("கிருத, திரேத, துவாபர யுகங்களில்") he would continue to worship him with the same physical body and in the "Kali Yuga" (கலியுகம்) without any form. He further said that from then onwards, his abode will be unchangeable and he will guard the black forest of "Kanja Malai Hill" with his name as Kanja Malai Sidhar.

A third legend describes that a Brahmin came to this hill with his disciple for attaining "Kayasidhi" ("காயசித்தி") i.e., to enable him to contract his physical body like a solid stone. His disciple was a grey-

haired old man. He instructed his disciple to cook food for them and went to the forest in search of some medicinal herbs. While stirring the boiling rice in the pot with a stick, the disciple found that the cooked rice was rendered black in colour. Being afraid of serving this spoiled "black rice" (கறுத்த ரேசுறு) to his guru, he consumed the entire food, himself. To his great astonishment, he found him converted into a blooming youth of sixteen years, with black hairs. When the guru returned, he could not identify his disciple, and asked him about his disciple. The disciple narrated the entire history of how he became young. When he was questioned about the stick, he replied that he threw it into the fire. On this, the guru persuaded him to vomit the food that he had taken. The guru ate the food vomitted by his disciple and he too became a blooming youth with a hardened body like his disciple and thus attained "Kaya Sidhi". There is also a speculation that these two are Tirumular and Kanjamalai Siddhar respectively. In this context it is interesting to note that even to-day there is the custom among the devotees to cook food and keep it at a particular spot. It is then distributed to all by one of the members of a specific Gounder family.

Whatever be the truth behind the last legend it indicates the importance of Kanja Malai as a hill renowned for herbs and plants with extraordinary characteristics and medicinal effects. In fact even now the devotees attach more importance to a sacred bath in the stream that flows there. It has recently been established beyond doubt that the rocks in the hill contain mineral resources. Perhaps this is the cause for the healing effects attributed to the water and plants of the hill. Kanjamalai Reserve forest is a hilly tract running from east to west on the border of Sankari and Salem taluks. Its height ranges from 2,000 to 3,300 feet above mean sea level. Magnesite Mining was going on for some time. It is also said that iron and gold were also mined in ancient times. There are a large number of streams on the hill. Devotees have great faith in such streams attributing sacredness. The temple dedicated to Siddhar is at the foot of the eastern slope of the hill on the border of Eelangamsolai Panchayat of Sankari taluk and Perumampatti Panchayat of Salem taluk. It can be easily reached from Salem which is about eight miles away from the temple. Recently another temple dedicated to Lord Murugar has also been constructed. It is significant that all the places where Siddhas are believed to have lived are being converted as sacred places for Lord Murugar. The presiding deity in Sidheeswarar temple is in a sitting posture in the form of an ascetic and faces east. There



are "Artha Mandapam" ("அர்த்த மண்டபம்"), "Maha Mandapam" (மஹா மண்டபம்) and a sixteen pillared open mandapam. It is said that this temple was constructed by one Sri Katti Mudaliar, a staunch devotee of Sri Sidheswarar, about 300 years ago. It covers an area of about 35 cents. It has a 30' high pagoda, with a circumference of about 70', apart from a single prakaram. The sthalapuram of this shrine has been published by Sri C. A. Ragunadhan of Chinnppampatti village, in Salem district, which contains several extracts from Kongu Mandala Sadhagam, Thirumandhiram and Karpuranathar Sthalapuram of Uthamacholapuram.

A single pooja is performed daily in the morning, at 10.30 A.M., by a hereditary Brahmin gurukkal, who is in the enjoyment of service inam lands. He is also entitled to receive the offerings of the devotees. The temple does not own any jewellery. There are no immovable properties for the temple, except  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres of service inams lands, gifted to the temple gurukkal, pipers, garland makers, watchman of the temple garden and other servants. The temple derives an annual income of Rs. 3,000/- through hundi collections. Besides, the temple also gets an additional income of about Rs. 2,400/-, by way of charges levied for performing archanas, Abishegas and "Mudi" prarthanas, (tonsured hair) by the devotees, at scheduled rates, as given below:—

		Rs. P.
Archana	...	0.28
Abishegam	...	1.00
Mudi Prarthana	...	0.50

Further, the temple is getting a dastic allowance from the treasury of the Tiruchengode taluk and from the Sukavaneswarar Devasthanam Fund of Salem, amounting to a sum, not exceeding rupees one hundred, annually.

Maha Sivarathri and Chithra Pournami are the two important annual festivals celebrated here, apart from the monthly Amavasai and the Thai Amavasai. These festivals attract a crowd of not less than 6,000 to 7,000 devotees from Salem, Dharmapuri, Omalur, Sankari and Tiruchengode taluks. As special importance is given to the Amavasai festival in this temple, "Kanjamalai" is also called as "Amavasai Malai". During festivals the agriculturists of the neighbouring villages, used to bring large quantities of various foodgrains, cook them and offer as "Neivedhiam", before the "Sannadi" of "Sri Sidheswarar" and take a morsel of "Neivedhiam" each. They believe to reap a bumper crop of the particular foodgrain, which they were lucky to get from the "Neivedhiam". Large groups of devotees used to assemble and partake during the monthly Amavasai days. Particularly, the crowd will be very great, during the Adi and Thai Amavasai days.

The shrine was managed by the descendants of Pattakkara Gounder belonging to the Vanniakula Kshatriya community of the adjoining villages, in ancient days. One among them by name Sri Ponnuswamy Gounder of Kosavapatti, was connected with the administration of the temple affairs, as its Managing trustee, for a very long time. Now, the temple is being managed by a Board of three trustees, functioning through an Executive Officer, all appointed by the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Board.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	8	Kaminaicken-patti (V)	Kaminaicken-patti	Sri Thimmaraya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.15	Sri Thimmaraya Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 5 miles
2				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.10	Sri Mariamman	
3	9	Reddipatti (V)	Jagur Reddipatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.07	Sri Mariamman	Salem Railway station 1 mile
4				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.05	Sri Virayagar	
5	19	Kannankurichi (P)	Kannankurichi	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	100	0.06	Sri Subraminiaswami	Salem Town Railway station 4 miles
6	"	do	do	Sri Periamariamman temple (F)			Sri Periamariamman	Salem Town Railway station 3 miles
7				Sri Palapattarai Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Palapattarai Mariamman	
8				Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)			Sri Drowpathiamman	
				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
10	24	Pallipatti (V)	Pallipatti (Valasaiyur)	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	60	0.01	Sri Subramaniaswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deci- phered but re- ported to exist
					Apprai- sed by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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2,400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
200	...	...	6'00	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Thai	...	No
473	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	5	Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Thaipooam Panguni Uthiram Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
1,562	0'75	...	...	...	...	...	Horse Lion Garudan Chapparam	No	Annual Festival in the month of Chithirai	...	No
300	...	5'00	...	...	...	20	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Panguni Uthiram Thaipooam	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
11	43	Sukkampatti (P)	Sukkampatti	Sri Udayadevar temple (O)	...	...	Sri Udayadevar	Ayothiapatnam Railway station 5 miles
12				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
13	48	Korathupatti (P)	Korathupatti	Sri Eluthandi Muniappar temple (O)	100	1.05	Sri Eluthandi Muniappar	Salem Railway station 5 miles
14	53	Suramangalam (P)	Suramangalam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	75	0.11	Sri Mariamman	Salem Railway station 1½ miles
15	61	Thirumalagiri (P)	Thirumalagiri	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	...	0.25	Sri Mariamman	Salem Railway station 4 miles
16	66	Sivathapuram (V)	Mathur	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Ayothiapatnam Railway station 15 miles
17	..	do	Sivandapuram	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	...	0.20	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Salem Railway station 2 miles

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for decipher- ed ones	Non- decipher- ed but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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.	..	8.20	...	...	...		Ratham	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Adi	...	Yes
549	..	4.00	...	...	...	200	Lion	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
3,110	2.00	7.55	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Vaikasi Pournami Karthigai Deepam	...	No
228	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a Gounder	Amman Festival once a year	...	No
650	...	...	...	4.05	...	...	...	Thrice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Thai	...	No
400	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	...	...	No
250	...	...	...	6.09	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
18	67	Kondampatti (P)	Kondampatti	Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	500	0.03	Sri Drowpathiamman	Salem Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
19				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.20	Sri Mariamman	
20				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	...	...	Sri Vinayagar	
21				Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	...	...	Sri Subramaniam	
22				Sri Manthagopalakrishnaswami temple (V)	...	...	Sri Manthagopalakrishnaswami	
23	69	Salem (M)	Annadanapatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Mariamman	Salem Market Railway station 1 mile
24	"	do	Ammamet (Salem)	Sri Sundara Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.01	Sri Sundara Ganapathy	Salem East Railway station 5 furlongs
25	"	do	do	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswariamman temple (F)	70	0.11	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari	Salem East Railway station 3 furlongs
26	"	do	do	Sri Kumaragiri Dandayudhapani temple (F)	40	Not stated	Sri Dhandayudhapani	Salem East Railway station $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles
27	"	do	Ammamet (Salem)	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	80	0.26	Sri Kannika Parameswari	Salem Town Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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400	...	...	...	4.90	...	2,750	...	Once a day by a Poosari	Fire Festival once in two years	...	No
587	...	...	...	9 Buildings	...	...	Chapparam Vahanams-3	Pooja by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Adi	...	No
1,474	...	...	...	8 Shops	...	...	Mothi	Pooja by a Mudaliar	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
1,030	0.50	...	...	Houses and Shops	...	50	Chapparam Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Navarathri	...	No
3,277	...	3.00	...	4.50	...	1,500	Ratham Peacock	Thrice a day by a Mudaliar	Panguni Uthiram Thai Poosam	...	No
1,102	...	...	...	2 houses 2 choultries 14 shops	...	1,00,000	Palanquin (gold) Vahanams-2 (silver)	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	No

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	No.	Name							
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>									
28	69	Salem (M)	Alagapuram	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	...	Below 0.01	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 2 miles	
29	..	do	Arisipalayam (Salem Town)	Sri Kalyanasubramaniam temple (M)	33	0.04	Sri Kalyana Subramaniam	Salem Market Railway station 2 furlongs	
30	..	do	do	Sri Suluku Pillaiyar temple (G)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Sulukku Pillayar	do	
31				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.03	Sri Mariamman		
32	..	do	Baroji Agraharam (Salem Town)	Sri Moovar Kondamman temple (F)	60	0.01	Sri Moovar Kondamman	Vira Pandi Road Railway station 4 miles	
33				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman		
34	..	do	Gugai	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	50	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Salem Railway station 3 miles	
35				Sri Kalamman temple (F)	50	0.07	Sri Kalamman		
36				Sri Muniappar temple (O)	...	...	Sri Muniappar		



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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500	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
2,282	...	...	...	11 Houses ... 1 Shop	...	600	Chapparam Peacock	Twice a day by a Devangar	Rathasattami Thaipusam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
	...	...	...	House-1	...	...	...	Once a year by a Poosari	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
480	...	...	...	...	...	150	Horse	Once a year by a hereditary Poosari	Mariamman Festival	...	No
200	0.75	4.00	...	...	...	1,000	Palanquin	Pooja by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No
4,952	...	...	...	20 shops House sites	495	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Fire Festival n Ani	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
37	69	Salem (M)	Kichipalayan	Sri Chinna Mari- amman temple (F)	300	0.04	Sri Chinna Mari- amman	Salem Town Railway station 1 mile
38				Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	300	0.06	Sri Dharmarajar	
39				Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	...	...	Sri Subramaniam	
40				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	...	...	Sri Vinayagar	
41	..	do	Kumaraswami- patti	Sri Ellamman temple (F)	50	0.10	Sri Ellamman	Salem Town Railway station 2 furlongs
42	..	do	do	Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Drowpathi amman	Salem Town Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
43	..	do	Salem (Nethimedu) (Annadanam- patti)	Sri Gnanadhandayu- dhapani temple (M)	100	0.50	Sri Gnanadhan- dayudhapani	Salem Market Railway station 1 mile
44	..	do	do	Sri Sugavaneeswarar temple (S)	150	0.75	Sri Sugavane- swarar	Salem Town Railway station
45	..	do	Salem (Chinnaka- davu St.)	Sri Chinnamariamman temple (F)	100	0.25	Sri Chinnamari- amman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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323	...	...	...	2 shops Vacant plots	...	4,000	Chapparams-4	Once a day by a hereditary Padayachi	Dharmajar Festival once in three years	...	No
200	...	...	...	4 shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
1,351	...	...	...	13 houses 5 shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
2,658	...	...	...	8 Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
20,033	...	...	120'00	1 House 5 Shops 8 Car sheds	44,550	...	Palanquin Rishabam Elephant Horse	Five times a day by a Gurukkal	Brahmotsavam for 10 days in Chithirai Vaikasi Arudhra Darisanam Skandha Shasti Karthigai Deepam	42-51 of 1888	...
12,500	...	...	...	12 Shops 1 Shandy	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
46	69	Salem (M)	Salem Fort	Sri Alagirinathar temple (S)	600	Not stated	Sri Alagirinathar	Salem Market Railway station 1 mile
47	„	do	do	Sri Kottai Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.11	Sri Kottai Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 5 furlongs
48	„	do	Salem	Sri Rajaganapathy temple (G)	50	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	Salem Town Railway station 2 furlongs
49	„	do	do	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	67	0.50	Sri Kannika Parameswariamman	Salem Town Railway station
50	„	do	Gugai (Moongapadi St.)	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari temple (F)	53	0.11	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari	Salem Town Railway station 1 mile
51	„	do	Salem	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.75	Sri Ekambareswarar	Thonganur Railway station
52				Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)			Sri Kamakshiamman	
53	„	do	Salem (Ammapet Main Road)	Sri Prasanna Varadarajar temple (V)	90	0.13	Sri Prasanna Varadarajar	Salem Town Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile

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	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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7,023	...	7-00	...	5 Shops 3 Houses	13,267	...	Car Chapparam Palanquin (Silver) Garudan (Silver) Anjaneya	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachari	Rathotsavam in Vaikasi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
13,798	...	...	...	1 Shop House site 2-00 acres	14,896	...	Yali Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival for 21 days in Adi	...	No
384	...	...	...	1 House	...	750	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
14,869	...	...	...	15 Shops and House	80,206	...	Horse Lion Garudan	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Brahmothsavam in Vaikasi Sri Rama Navami Navarathri	...	No
900	...	...	...	1 Mutt	...	1,000	Chapparams-2 Vahanams-2	Thrice a day by a Devangar	Sri Jayanthi Navarathri Jambusanthi	...	No
16,033	...	...	...	47 Shops and Houses	5,404	...	Rishabam Lion Peacock Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Viswakarma	Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri Chithrapournami	...	No
2,930	...	...	...	Buildings	9,588	...	Garudan Anjaneya Swan Horse Suryaprabai Sesha Kedayam	Twice a day by a Bhatta- chariar	Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
54	69	Salem (M)	Salem (Gugai Paradi Chettinadu)	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari temple (F)	70	0.40	Sri Ramalingeswarar and Chowdeswari amman	Salem Town Railway station
55	..	do	Salem (Gugai)	Sri Gugai Ambalavaneswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.34	Sri Ambalavaneswarar	Salem Town Railway station 1 mile
56	..	do	do	Sri Rajamuniappar temple (O)	160	0.01	Sri Rajamuniappar	Salem Town Railway station 3 furlongs
57	..	do	Salem (2nd Agra-haram)	Sri Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)	200	0.05	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	Salem Town Railway station ½ mile
58	..	do	Salem (Pudu Nagamiah St.)	Sri Bhavanarayana-swami temple (V)	50	0.20	Sri Bhavanarayana Perumal	Salem Town Railway station
59	..	do	Salem (Chinnakadai St.)	Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	60	0.07	Sri Dharmarajar	Salem Town Railway station ½ mile
60	..	do	do	Sri Ellaiamman temple (F)			Sri Ellaiamman	
61	..	do	do	Sri Kalyana Subramania-swami temple (M)	60	0.11	Sri Subramania-swami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
938	...	...	...	Houses and Shops	...	500	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
2,576	...	6'00	...	9-Houses 8-Shops	17,434	...	Rishabam Chapparam Kamadhenu (in silver) Chapparam Rishabam	Thrice a day by a Gurukkal	Chithra Pournami Thiruvathirai	...	No
1,935	...	...	...	Houses	...	175	Vimanam	Once a day by a Gurukkal	...	...	No
1,162	...	...	...	House	...	...	Chapparams-2 Vahanams-2	Twice a day by hereditary Bhattachariar	Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
704	...	...	...	5 Houses	...	200	Tiger Horse	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	No	...	No
2,181	...	...	...	15 Shops 1 House	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gounder	Festival once in two years	...	No
250	...	...	...	1 House 3 Shops	...	...	Chapparam Peacock	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Thaipooosam Panguni Uthiram Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
62	69	Salem (M)	Peramanoor	Sri Ayyanarappan temple (O)	60	0.11	Sri Ayyanarappan	Shevapet Railway station 1 mile
63	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	62	0.03	Sri Mariamman	do
64	„	do	Salem (Ponnammapet) (Thuthuhal St.)	Sri Thambikaliamman temple (F)	150	0.01	Sri Kaliyamman	Salem East Railway station ½ mile
65				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.03	Sri Vinayagar	
66	„	do	Salem (Kurumbur St.)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.04	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station ½ mile
67	„	do	Salem (Chinnakadai St.)	Sri Madhureswarar temple (S)	120	0.37	Sri Madhureswarar	Salem East Railway station
68	„	do	do	Sri Ambunial temple (F)	...	0.20	Sri Mariamman	do
69	„	do	Salem (Sowrashtra Krishnan Koil St.)	Sri Krishnan temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Krishnar	Salem East Railway station
70	„	do	do	Sri Muthumariamman temple (F)	500	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 3 furlongs



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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250	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
750	...	...	...	...	...	...	Horse	...	Mariamman Festival in the month of Masi	...	Yes
1,674	...	...	...	7 Shops 1 House	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Devangar	Navarathri Thiruvathirai	...	No
1,200	...	...	...	...	...	300	Lion	Once a day by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
...	...	...	...	Vacant House site 0.04 acre	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Chettiar	No	...	No
2,106	...	...	...	2 Shops	...	850	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Navarathri	...	No
298	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a Battachaiar	Navarathri Sri Jayanthi	...	No
743	...	...	...	Vacant site 0.07 2 Houses	...	500	Lion Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi Festival	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
71	69	Salem (M)	Salem (Ponnampet)	Sri Soundamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Soundamman	Salem East Railway station $\frac{1}{4}$ mile
72				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Mariamman	
73	„	do	Salem (Arasamaram Pillayar Koil St.)	Sri Chennappan temple (O)	100	0.10	Sri Chennappan	Salem Town Railway station
74	„	do	Salem (Shevapet)	Sri Kannika Parameswari temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Kannika Parameswari Amman	Salem Market Railway station
75	„	do	Salem (Thathakapatti)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station
76				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
77	„	do	Salem (Shevapet)	Sri Prasanna Venkatachalapathi temple (V)	150	0.17	Sri Prasanna Venkatachalapathy	Salem Market Railway station $\frac{1}{4}$ mile
78				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.08	Sri Mariamman	
79	„	do	Salem (Kumarswamipet)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Mariamman	East Salem Railway station $\frac{1}{4}$ mile

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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910	...	...	...	13 Houses	...	200	Chapparam Horse Lion	Twice a day by a hereditary Devangar	Soundamman Festival in Purattasi Mariamman Festival in Thai	...	No
454	...	...	...	6 Houses	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
12,365	...	...	...	6 Houses 7 Shops 1 School 1 House site 1 Kalyana- mantapam	47,445	...	Car Horse (Silver)	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Sri Rama Navami Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
982	...	...	...	Vacant land 1.00 acre	...	...	Chapparam	Poojas by a hereditary Vanniar	Mariamman Festival in Thai	...	No
18,300	...	...	...	54 Shops and Houses	15,947	...	Car Vimanam Silver	Twice a day by a Bhatta- chariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
795	...	...	...	4 Shops	...	...	Lion	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Adi	...	No
	...	...	...					Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Mariamman Annual Festival in the month of Adi	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
80	69	Salem (M)	Salem (Ammapet Main Road)	Sri Soundararaja Perumal temple (V)	47	0.17	Sri Soundararaja Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 1 mile
81	„	do	Salem (Kottai Main Road)	Sri Thalaivetti Muniappan temple (O)	50	0.10	Sri Thalaivetti Muniappan	Salem Market Railway station 1 mile
82	„	do	Shevapet (Agraharam)	Sri Harihara Devalayam (S & V)	70	0.11	Sri Kothandaramar Sri Eswarar	Salem Market Railway station ½ mile
83	„	do	Shevapet (Salem)	Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	60	0.07	Sri Drowpathi Amman	Salem Market Railway station ½ mile
84	„	do	Shevapet (Gobichetty-palayam)	Sri Vigneswara temple (G)	Not known	0.20	Sri Vigneswarar	Salem Market Railway station
85	„	do	Shevapet (Gopalaswamy Chetty St.)	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)			Sri Subramaniam	
86	„	do	Shevapet (Chitra-chavadi)	Sri Subramania swami temple (M)	100	0.09	Sri Subramania swami	Salem Market Railway station ½ mile
87	„	do	Shevapet (Kottai Main Road)	Sri Pillayar alias Sri Siddhi Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.03	Sri Siddhi Vinayagar	Salem Market Railway station 3 furlongs

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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2,247	...	...	...	Buildings	...	1,000	Palanquin Garudans-2 Houses-2	Twice a day by a Bhattachariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Sri Jayanthi Uriyadi	52-58 of 1888	...
1,367	...	...	...	6 Shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
1,104	...	...	...	Buildings	...	...	Chapparams-2	Twice a day by a hereditary Battachariar	Arudhra Dharisanam Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,627	...	...	...	8 shops	...	...	Horse (silver)	Once a day by a Poosari	No	...	No
1,137	...	...	...	2 houses	...	...	Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
8,867	...	...	...	Shops Houses and lands Worth Rs. 2,00,000	7,582	...	Peacock (silver)	Twice a day by an Archagar	Skanda Sashti	...	No
1,812	...	...	...	5 shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by an Asari	Vinayaga Chatburthi Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
88	69	Salem (M)	Shevapet	Sri Meenakshi Sundareswarar temple (S)	150	0.75	Sri Meenakshi Sundareswarar	Salem Market Railway station
89	„	do	Longly Road	Sri Bavanarayana swami Devasthanam (V)	150	0.10	Sri Bava Narayana swamy Sri Rathina Vinayagar	Salem Market Railway station ½ mile
90	„	do	Chinnamuthu St.	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeeswari temple (S)	150	0.50	Sri Ramalingeswarar Sri Chowdeeswari Amman	Salem Market Railway station
91	„	do	Manickam Pillai St.	Sri Panduranga-nathar temple (V)	40	0.15	Sri Pandu Ranganathar	Salem Market Railway station 3 furlongs
92	„	do	Appaswamy Pillai St.	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeeswari temple (S)	60	0.05	Sri Chowdeeswari	Salem Market Railway station
93	„	do	Venkataramana Naicken St.	Sri Venkataramana swami temple (V)	100	0.02	Sri Venkataramana swami	Salem Market Railway station ½ mile
94	„	do	Chitrani	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	60	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	do

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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3,744	20'00	...	...	Shops and Vacant sites	...	1,000	Ratham Kedayam (silver) Rathams-3 Bandicoot-2 Peacock Horse	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Brahmoth-savam in Chithurai	...	No
3,107	...	...	...	Houses and 4 Shops Vacant sites	...	1,200	...	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Gokulashtami Vinayaga-Chathurthi Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
3,894	...	...	...	10 Houses	...	...	Rathams-3 Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipooasam Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
4,305	...	...	...	6 Houses 14 Shops Vacant land	...	5,000	Chapparam	Thrice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri Sri Jayanthi	...	No
525	...	...	...	...	...	...	Horse	Twice a day by a Devangar	No	...	No
913	...	...	...	Shop-1 House-1	...	...	...	Twice a day by an Archagar	No	...	No
1,034	...	...	...	6 Shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
95	69	Salem (M)	Salem (Chinnaladai St.)	Sri Mundru Pillayar temple (G)	400	0.02	Sri Pillayar	Salem Town Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
96				Sri Erattai Pillayar temple (G)			Sri Pillayar	
97	"	do	Sanjeevarayan-patti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	75	0.15	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 2 miles
98				Sri Pillayar temple (G)	75	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
99	"	do	Chinna Tirupati	Sri Venkata Ramana-swami Srinivasan (V)	400	0.01	Sri Venkataramanaswamy	Salem Town Railway station
100	70	Ammamet (V)	Ammamet	Sri Kumaraguru Subramaniaswami temple (M)	36	0.03	Sri Subramaniaswami	Salem East Railway Station 3 furlongs
101	"	do	do	Sri Palapattarai Marianman temple (F)	250	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Salem East Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Rcf. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist						
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple						(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)

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2,378	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi Tamil New Year's Day Sivaratri	...	No
2,239	...	...	...	6 Shops 1 Market	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Devangar	Annual Festival in Ani	...	No
631	...	...	...	Waste land 4.5 acres	...	100	Ratham Garudan Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Car Festival	...	No
11,117	...	...	...	33 Shops 1 Market	...	715	Chapparam Palanquin Horse Elephant Peacock Sooran	Poojas by a Senguntha Mudaliar	Skandasashti	...	No
2,452	...	...	...	13 Shops	...	250	Lion	Poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Adi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
102	76	Mettupatti Tadanur (P)	Mettupatti	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Angalamman	Ayodhiapattinam Railway station 1 furlong
103	..	do	do	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	...	...	Sri Selliamman	
104	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	...	...	Sri Mariamman	
105	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	...	...	Sri Vinayagar	
106	81	Anuppur (V)	Anuppur	Sri Selliamman temple (F)	350	0.03	Sri Selliamman	Minnampalli Railway station 7 miles
107	84	Kurichi (P)	Kurichi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	30	0.15	Sri Vinayagar	Valappadi Railway station 5 miles
108	85	Belur (P)	Belur	Sri Thanthoonceswarar temple (S)	5,000	5.00	Sri Thanthoonceswarar	Vayalpadi Railway station 4 miles

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)			(17)	(18)

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300	...	...	...	2'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Festivals	...	No
900	...	35'00	...	Coconut groves-20	...	1,665	Horse Chapparams-2 Ratham	Poojas Performed by a Vanniar	Adi 18th Day Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri Panguni Uthiram Ugadhi	...	Yes
326	...	...	2'00	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	...	...	No
2,394	...	20'00	...	...	...	...	Car Ratham Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Arudhra Dharisanam Thaipoosam Masi Magham Sivarathri Panguni Uthiram	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
109	94	Ayodhiapatnam (P)	Ayodhiapatnam	Sri Kothandaramar temple (V)	500	0.71	Sri Kothandaramar	...
110	95	Masinaickenpatti (P)	Masinaickenpatti (P)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Ayodhiapatnam Railway station 2 miles
111	102	Kondalampatti (P)	Kondalampatti (Odachakarai)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	30	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Neykkarapatti Railway station
112				Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)			Sri Kaliyamman	
113	105	Uthamasolapuram (P)	Uthamasolapuram	Sri Karpuranathar temple (S)	400	1.00	Sri Karpuranathar	Neykkarapatti Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
114	107	Permampatti (P)	Kanjamalai	Sri Sidheswarar temple (S)	300	0.35	Sri Sidheswarar	Vembaditalam Railway station 5 miles
115	108	Elampillai (P)	Elampillai	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.50	Sri Mariamman	Vembaditalam Railway station $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles
116	111	Peria Seeragapadi (P)	Chinna Seeragapadi	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	300	2.00	Sri Subramaniaswami	Virapandi Road Railway station $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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1,854	...	67.00	...	Houses	...	10	Car Palanquin Garudan Sesham- Horse Vimanam Anjaneyar	Poojas performed by a hereditary Brahmin	Krishna Jayanthi Navarathri Vijaya Dasami Karthigai Deepam Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
537	...	2.50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
480	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
3,557	1.93	16.84	...	...	9	...	Cars-2 Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Rathotsavam 59-61 in Chithirai of Pournami day 1888	...	...
10,736	...	...	...	3.50	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattar	Brahmothsavam in Chithirai and Thai Amavasai Sivarathri	...	No
14,733	...	3.00	...	Shandy plot	...	4,000	Car Kamadhenu Horse Lion Vimanam Sakadai Annam	Twice a day by a hereditary Vanniar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri Panguni Uthiram	...	No
932	...	13.86	...	...	...	200	Car Ratham Magameru	Thrice a week by a Gurukkal	Thaipooosam Panguni Uthiram	...	Yes

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
117	112	Veerapandi (P)	Veerapandi	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	500	0.18	Sri Angalamman	Veerapandi Road Railway station 1½ miles
118	126	Velapadi	Velapadi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Vazhapadi Gate Railway station
119	..	do	do	Sri Kasi Viswanathar temple (S)	40	0.15	Sri Kasi Viswanathar	do
120	..	do	Vellalakundam	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.02	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Seshan Chavadi Railway station 2 miles
121	131	Panamarathupatti (P)	Panamarathupatti	Sri Palani Andavar temple (M)		0.25	Sri Palani Andavar	Salem Town Railway station 10 miles
122				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	90	0.15	Sri Mariamman	
123				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.10	Sri Vinayagar	
124	132	Sandiyur Attayampatti (P)	Nathamedu (Sandiyur Athayampatti)	Sri Chidambareswarar temple (S)	75	0.50	Sri Chidambareswarar	Salem Town Railway station 8 miles
125	139	Rakkipatti (P)	Rakkipatti	Sri Pudupalayam Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.15	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Vembadithalam Railway station 2 miles

## TALUK (Contd )

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,610	0.58	7.22	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Sivarathri	...	No
2,578	2.00	0.30	...	4 Shops	...	...	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,923	Extent not stated			Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Karthigai Deepam Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
743	...	...	3.21	House-1	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Moopamar	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
250	...	4.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Adi Festival	...	No
910	...	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
441	...	...	10.00	...	...	500	Carr-2 Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Rathothsavam	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
126	144	Rajapalayam (P)	Pathampatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	60	0.10	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Vembadithalam Railway station 5 miles
127	145	Attayampatti (P)	Attayampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Vembadithalam Railway station 4 miles
128	153	Mallur (P)	Mallur	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	500	0.02	Sri Sellandiamman	Salem Railway station 8 miles
129	..	do	do	Sri Thanthoni Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.24	Sri Thanthoni Vinayagar	Salem Town Railway station 10 miles
130	..	do	do	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.20	Sri Ekambareswarar	Salem Town Railway station 8½ miles
131	..	do	do	Sri Govindaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.20	Sri Govindaraja Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 9 miles
132	..	do	do	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Salem Town Railway station
133	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	120	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Salem Railway station 8 miles



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
315	...	10-00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Padayachi	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
221	...	...	...	15-00	...	500	Lion Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival	...	No
290	7-36	1-08	...	Waste land 1-25	...	4	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
800	...	8-00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
1,000	14-00	1-50	...	...	...	20	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Tamil New Years day Navarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
210	5-20	1-52	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Sri Krishna Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
1,500	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Jayanthi	—	No
465	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	Mariamman Festival	—	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

## Temples under the Hindu Religious

134	165	Veppilaipatti (V)	Veppilaipatti	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	20	0.01	Sri Sellandiamman	Vazhapadi Railway station 11 miles
135	..	do	do	Sri Amirthalingeswara temple (S)	27	0.50	Sri Annapurani Amirthalingeswar	do
136	167	Singipuram (P)	Singipuram	Sri Eswarar temple <i>alias</i> Sri Patteeswarar temple (S)	300	0.01	Sri Patteeswarar	Vazhapadi Railway station 2½ miles

## Temples outside the Hindu Religious

1	38	Keerapatti	Keerapatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.01	Sri Vinayaga	Vazhapadi Railway station 11 miles
2				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.02	Sri Mariamman	
3	103	Jarikondalam-patti	Jarikondalam-patti	Sri Ramalinga Chowdeswari Amman temple (S)	Not known	0.06	Sri Vinayagar Navagrahas Lingam	Nelkaranpatti Railway Station 1½ miles
4	112	Veerapandi (P)	Veerapandi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.03	Sri Vinayagar	Veerapandi Road Railway station 1½ miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

400	2'00	...	...	...	...	...	Car	Once a day by a Pandaram	Selliamman Festival	...	No
1,758	7'00	...	...	...	...	...	Car Rishabam Mooshigam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Karthikai Deepam Thiruvathirai Kalyana-uthsavam	...	Yes
500	4'62	2'40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a month by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	..	No

## and Charitable Endowments Board

...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Only on Special occasions	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
150	...	...	1'00	Vacant site	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Thai festival Avani Avittam Panguni Uthiram	...	No
200	0'77	3'60	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Vinayaga Chathurthi Karthigai Deepam	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
5	129	Vellalakundam (P)	Vellalakundam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.04	Sri Mariamman	Seshanchavadi Railway station 4 miles
6				Sri Selliamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Selliamman	
7				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
8	153	Nallur (P)	Nallur	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Salem Railway station 8 miles
9	165	Veppilai patti	Veppilaipatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	90	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Vazhapadi Railway station 11 miles
10				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.03	Sri Vinayagar	

## TALUK (Concl'd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

...	...	...	...	...	...	750	Car-1	Only on Festival and Special Occasions	Car Festival Karthigai Deepam The Festival	...	No
3,000	750	...	...	...	...	750	...				
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Linga Pandaram	...	...	No
...	200	...	...	...	...	800	Car-1 Horse-1 Fox-1	Once a day by a Pandaram	Car Festival in Vaikasi	...	No

## SANKARI TALUK

### 18. KACHCHUPALLI

#### Selliandiamman temple

At the first mile north-east of Sankari on the National Highways towards Salem, a road branches towards north and leads to Omalur via Konganapuram and Taramangalam. At the ninth mile on this branch road lies Kachchupalli. According to 1961 Census, it had 1,424 houses occupied by 5,984 persons. It is locally known for the village deity Selliandiamman. The Temple is in the midst of fertile land. Unlike other village shrines, the temple is maintained in a good condition. It has no gopuram at the entrance, but the vimanam over the sanctum sanctorum is built to a height of about 30 feet, like a gopuram with three kalasams. The stone image of the presiding deity faces north and is covered with a silver sheet. There is one big prakaram around the sanctum sanctorum and its mandapam, all of which occupy a space of nearly one acre. Devotees install small images of Garuda (கருடர்) in the prakaram to get themselves freed from the evil effects of Garuda (கருடதேவதாஷம்). Two poojas are performed daily by eight families of hereditary Andipandarams in turn. About 50 to 100 devotees visit the Temple on Mondays and Fridays. Sacrifice of fowl and goat are not uncommon. Once in a year, a car festival is celebrated, which lasts for four days. It is held in the month of Iyppasi ஐப்பசி (October–November) and is claimed to attract about 4,000 devotees. There is only one wooden car, which was repaired 50 years back. The temple owns 36.16 acres of wet lands in the adjoining Kornampatti village. The annual income of the Temple was assessed to be Rs. 500 in fasli 1375. A Board of three trustees manages the affairs of the Temple.

### 43. KANAGAGIRI

#### Velayudhaswami temple

Kanagagiri is a small village on the national highways from Madras to Calicut, at the border of Sankari and Salem taluks. It is about 10 miles north-east of Sankari, the taluk headquarters and about 12 miles south-west of Salem, the District headquarters. Vembadithalam on Salem Erode section of the Southern Railway is the near railway station, about a mile

from this village. There were 349 households consisting of 1,519 persons as on 1-3-1961. There is a hillock in this village with the small temple dedicated to Lord Muruga situated on it. Arunagirinathar had sung in praise of this temple. The presiding deity is known as Velayuthaswami and is represented by a stone image in standing posture with peacock vahanam. There is also an image of Vinaygar. It is believed that the Temple must have either been built or renovated by Gatti Mudaliar. The Temple faces east. The old structure had the sanctum sanctorum for the presiding deity, Artha Mandapam and Maha Mandapam. Recently, another concrete Mandapam is being added to the old structure. Daily pooja is performed by a hereditary Brahmin. Nearly 20 to 25 devotees are reported to visit on Kiruthigai and New Moon days. Thai Poosam (தைப்பூசம்), Panguni Uthiram (பங்குனி உத்திரம்) and Masi Siva Rathiri (மாசி சிவராத்திரி) are the important occasions on which about 200 devotees from nearby villages seem to visit the Temple. The Temple owns 33.18 acres of dry land and enjoys 9.07 acres of Temple poramboke land. The officials of Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (Administration) Department assessed the annual income of the temple as Rs. 425 for fasli 1375. The temple is managed by a Board of two trustees.

It is said that the village was named as Kanakagiri (கனககிரி Golden rock) because of its golden ores. It is also said that gold used in the tiles of the famous Natarajar Temple at Chidambaram in South Arcot district was mined at this village. There is a claim that this village was once connected with Kanjamalai of Salem taluk by an underground path. It is believed that in ancient Tamil literature this village was referred to as Paruthippulikkadu.

### 52. SANKARI

#### Siva—Vishnu Devasthanam

Sankari is a taluk headquarters with the same name and lies 24 miles south-west of Salem on the National Highways from Madras to Calicut. It is also served by a Railway station. It is noted for Handloom weaving, Cement Industry, mica deposits around

it, an old fort and temples on a near by hill. The town is named after the massive hill that over-shadows it on the west. Sankari is a corrupt form of Sankagiri (சங்கிரி) so called from its fancied resemblance to the sacred conch-shell (சங்கு). The hill is a whitish mass of granite and gneiss, rising to a height of 2,345 feet above sea-level and nearby 1,500 feet above the plains. There is a natural cave half way up the hill and is worshipped mostly as a Muslim Darga. It is near the fifth gateway known as Pudukottai (புதுக்கோட்டை or New Fort) which is defended by a square and semi-circular bastion. Its rampart is the largest on the hill and is crested with brick-work, bound in parts with iron clamps, and is provided with embrasures for cannon. Its construction is ascribed to Tippu Sultan. The rampart on the left runs to the cave, which is in one part 35 feet high. Shah-ha-Mardan-Ghazi, a Muslim saint is said to have entered the cave once and never emerged from it. The fort on the hill seems to date back to Vijayanagar times. Virappa Nayaka ( 590—1622) strengthened it and it was further strengthened when it fell at Tippu's hand. The hill was steep and craggy sides and the approach to its top is through nine gates in a line from the base to the top. Each gate corresponds to a fortification going all round. The ninth gateway situated about three fourths of the way up the hill, is known as the company's gate and bears the date 1799. It is of British origin. It was the headquarters of the Madras Battalion during 1792—1832. After passing the ninth gate, a sharp turn in the path leads to a flight of steps cut in the rock. Though only about 30 steps are visible, the topmost step of the flight is called Aruvathampadi (அறுவதாம்படி) (sixtieth step) and was popularly used, like the Aruvatham-padi at Tiruehngodu, for oath-taking. The remaining steps are said to be concealed by rubble. The summit has a small temple dedicated to Chenna Kesava Perumal, built of stone in simple style characteristic of a hill temple. The temple occupies a space of about 70' x 50' with a sanctum sanctorum, an Artha Mandapam, a prakaram, a Maha Mandapam and a Vathya Mandapam (வாத்திய மண்டபம்). Kavundanaya Rishi is believed to have worshipped at the temple. There are images for the presiding deity, His Consorts, Andal, twelve Alwars and Anjaneyar. A hereditary Brahmin performs poojas once a day. For many yards around the temple, the granite is devoid of vegetation, and its surface is inscribed in Deva-nagari and Telugu characters the latter corresponding to 1678 A.D. There are several rock-pools in which the water-lily

flourishes, the most remarkable being the Man-Jonai (or Deer Pool மான் ஜோலை) a deep cave or cleft, so overshadowed by projecting rock that the rays of the sun never reach it. The water is said to possess healing effects, and, by a time-honoured practice officers camping in Sankagiri used to be supplied daily with drinking water from this spring. It is also said that when Lord Willingdon was Governor, this water was taken to Madras daily in the Mail.

Varadharaja Perumal Temple is beyond the third gateway, known as Gadikara Vasal (கடிகார வாசல் or Clock gate). It is the largest of the three occupying a space of about 100 ft. X 200 ft. It is a protected monument under the supervision of the Archaeological Department. It has a three tiered gopuram at the entrance. Besides the sanctum sanctorum, there are Artha Mandapam, Maha Mandapam, a safe room, Vathya Mandapam and prakaram. There are images for the presiding deity, His consort, Andal, Garudan, Hanuman, twelve Alwars, Krishna etc. Poojas are performed only once in a day by a hereditary Brahmin.

Someswaraswami Temple is at the foot of the hill. It occupies a space of about 230' X 150' with a sanctum sanctorum, Artha Mandapam, Maha Mandapam, Vathya Mandapam, Kalyana (கல்யாண) Mandapam, Munvayil (முன்வாயில்) Mandapam and one prakaram. The image of the presiding deity is represented by a Lingam. There are also images for His consort Soudaravalli with four hands and Murugan with six faces seated over peacock. There are festival images for Vinayagar, Somaskandhar, Chandrasekarar, Subramanar, Sellandiamman, Kamakshiamman, Natarajar etc.. In one of the pillars an image of Thirugnana Sambandar has been carved out. Two poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin.

The three Temples have been constituted into a single Devasthanam and is managed by a board of two trustees. In fasli 1375, the annual assessed income of the Devasthanam was Rs. 2,244/—. On 5-3-1964, its jewellery was estimated at Rs. 10,102.14. There are nine wooden vahanams, a wooden palanquin and a wooden car for Chenna Kesava Perumal Temple. In Someswara Temple, there are eight vahanas and a wooden car. The annual festival for Someswaraswami is celebrated in Panguni (பங்குனி March-April) and that for Chennakesava Perumal in Chiththirai (சித்திரை April-May). About 300 to 400 devotees are reported to attend these festivals.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	3	Iruppali	Gurikalpatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.25	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 15 miles
2	..	do	Iruppalli	Sri Easwarar temple (S)	1000	0.05	Sri Eswarar	do
3				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.15	Sri Mariamman	
4	..	do	do	Sri Sirkazhinathar temple (S)	Not known	0.05	Sri Sirkazhinathar	do
5	..	do	do	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	1300	0.19	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 14 miles
6	..	do	do	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	2000	2.40	Sri Pongaliamman	do
7	..	Samudram (P)	Samudram	Sri Kari Kalamman temple (F)	600	0.08	Sri Kari Kalamman	Vembaditalam Railway station 12 miles
8				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
9	..	do	Vellalapuram	Sri Vellatheeswaraswami temple (S)	200	0.15	Sri Vellatheeswarar	Vembaditalam Railway station 4 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
300	...	...	...	8-00	...	500	Lion Horse	No	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
	...	...	...	11-59	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
550	...	...	...	5-87	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
710	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
250	...	17-92	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
200	...	7-24	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	Yes
263	...	...	25-00	...	...	...	Car Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
300	...	16-24	...	...	...	5	Rishabam Bandicoot	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai Karthigai Deepam Panguni Uthiram	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
10	9	Chettiman-kurichi (P)	Chettiman-kurichi	Sri Ulageswarar temple (S)	300	1.00	Sri Ulakanatha Eswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 16 miles
11	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 15 miles
12	10	Chittoor (P)	Chittoor	Sri Patavettiamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Patavetti- amman	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 17 miles
13	11	Poolampetti (P)	Pulampatti	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	100	1.50	Sri Kailasanathar swami	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 26 miles
14	„	do	do	Sri Molapparai Thimmaroya Perumal temple (V)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Thimmaroya Perumal	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 20 miles
15	„	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.25	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
16				Sri Mukkyaprasanna-swami temple (S)			Sri Mukkyaprasanna-swami	
17	13	Vellaivalli (P)	Vellaivalli	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	400	0.25	Sri Sellandiamman	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 13 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

315	...	...	...	4.74	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
	...	31.57	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
210	...	...	...	200.00	...	...	Cars-2 Bootham Lion Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car festival in Panguni	...	No
5,046	...	...	...	34.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by an Archagar	No	...	No
300	...	...	...	6.50	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
3,790	...	...	...	15.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Sri Rama Navami	...	No
263	...	...	...	26.14	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples under the Hindu Religions								
18	14	Edapadi (P)	Edapadi	Sri Nanjundeswarar temple (S)	200	0.25	Sri Nanjundeswarar	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 10 miles
19	15	Avaniperu East	Avaniperur	Sri Pasupatheeswarar temple (S)	300	0.50	Sri Pasupatheeswarar	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 12 miles
20	..	do	Avaniperur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 14 miles
21	18	Katchupalli (P)	Kachapalli	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	500	0.50	Sri Ekambareswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 13 miles
22	..	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (S)	500	1.00	Sri Sellandiamman swami	Sankari Drug Railway station 13 miles
23	20	Idangansalai	Idangansalai	Sri Vishnu temple (V)	300	0.75	Sri Azhaganaya Perumai	Kakapalayam Railway station 6 miles
24				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
25	23	Ernapuram (P)	Nambiampatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	200	0.01	Sri Chenroya swami	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 1 mile

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,932	...	4.00	...	...	...	...	Car Palanquin	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Car festival in Chithirai	...	No
890	...	Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarami Navarathri	...	Yes
200	...	4.63	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Masi-Panguni	...	No
200	...	...	...	16.71	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
500	...	...	...	36.16	...	1,200	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Aypasi	...	No
1,200	...	12.00	...	...	...	...	Car Horse Lion Swan Garudan Anjaneyar Seshan Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	Yes
216	...	35.72	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
26	25	Konnanderi (P)	Kannanderi	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	250	0.05	Sri Kailasanathar	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 4 miles
27	27	Kongana-puram (P)	Kongana-puram	Sri Ulaganathar temple (V)	200	0.11	Sri Ulaganathar	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 6 miles
28	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.02	Sri Mariamman	do
29	29	Arasiramani (P)	Arasiramani (Kullampatti)	Sri Sooleeswarar swami temple (S)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Sooleeswarar swami	Sankari Drug Railway station 14 miles
30	..	do	Sethipatti	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Sellandiamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 17 miles
31	29	do	Sethupatti	Sri Peria Mariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Peria Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 14 miles
32	30	Kaveripatti (V)	Kaveripatti (Agraharam)	Sri Anandeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.05	Sri Andeeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 19 miles
33				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
34	..	do	Okkilampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	1,000	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

210	...	9.70	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thiruvathirai in Margazhi	...	No
420	0.35	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
400	2.78	5.88	...	...	...	600	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
320	8.08	1.86	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	No	...	No
350	0.52	7.06	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300	...	4.34	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival once a year	...	No
7,500	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
250	7.80	...	...	...	...	500	...	...	Amman Festival in Adi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
35	31	Koneripatti Agraharam (P)	Kalaradanga	Sri Varadaraja-perumal temple (V)	100	0.20	Sri Varadaraja-perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 18 miles
36	33	Kaveripatti Agraharam (V)	Kaveripatti Agaram	Sri Kaverinathaswami temple (S)	150	0.03	Sri Kaverinathaswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 19 miles
37	35	Devamgoundanur (P)	Devanna Goundanur	Sri Kodikanal Hanumantharayaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.10	Sri Hanumantharayaswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 3 miles
38	39	Vaikuntam (P)	Vaikuntam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Sellandiamman	Kalipatti Road Railway station 1 mile
39	42	Gudalur (P)	Gudalur	Sri Siyalanathaswami temple (S)	150	0.21	Sri Siyalanathaswami	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 1 mile
40	43	Kanagagiri (V)	Kanagagiri	Sri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	300	Below 0.02	Sri Velayudhaswami	Vembaditalam Railway station 1 mile
41	52	Sankari (V)	Sankari Drug	Sri Chennakeswarar temple (V)	2,000	Below 0.09	Sri Chennakesava Perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 1 mile
42				Sri Someswarar temple (S)		Below 0.80	Sri Someswarar	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

340	4.00	...	...	...	...	50	...	Once a day by a Pooari	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
200	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
500	...	10.35	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Battachariar	No	...	No
719	Extent not stated			...	...	500	Chapparam Horse Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival Once a year	...	No
350	...	...	...	9.77	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
425	...	33.18	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipooasam Mahasivarathri	...	Yes
2,244	...	...	...	...	...	...	Vahanams-9	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Car Festival in Chithirai	...	Yes
					10,102.14	...	Vahanams-8	Twice a day by a hereditary	Panguni Uthiram	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
43	57	Katheri (P)	Katteri	Sri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	500	1.50	Sri Velayudhaswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 12 miles
44				Sri Visweswaraswami temple (S)			Sri Viswanathar	
45	58	Veerachipalayam Agraharam (V)	Kumaragoundanpalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 5 miles
46	..	do	Veerachipalayam	Sri Thanerkattu Perumal temple (V)	100	0.03	Sri Thanerkattu Perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 6 miles
47	61	Morur (Part) (V)	Morur	Sri Bujangeswarar temple (S)	1,000	2.00	Sri Bujangeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 4 miles
48				Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)			Sri Chenroya Perumal	
49	..	do	do	Sri Nallapulliamman temple (F)	1,000	2.00	Sri Nallapulliamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 2 miles
50	..	do	Thiruvandipatti (Karikal-natham)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	20	0.15	Sri Mariamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

210	...	25'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by an Archagar	No	...	No
750	...	...	5'82	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300	...	...	3'25	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naidu	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
660	...	21'00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
500	...	0'60	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
225	...	1'62	...	...	...	100	...	No	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	13	Vellaivalli (P)	Vellaivalli	Sri Pasupatheeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.50	Sri Pasupatheeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 16 miles
2	14	Edapadi (R)	Edapadi	Sri Duraisamiamman temple (F)	250	0.25	Sri Duraisamiamman	Mc Donald's choultry Railway station 10 miles
3	15	Avaniperur East (P)	Avaniperur	Sri Kottai Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.30	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 14 miles
4				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)		0.50	Sri Sellandiamman	
5	30	Kaveripatti (V)	Okkilipatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 17 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

100	...	29.76	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gu. kkal	No	...	Yes
210	...	9.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Panguni Sivarathri	...	No
550	1.38	9.28	...	...	...	1,500	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival once a year	...	No
250	...	6.75	...	...	...	500	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Adi Festival	...	No

## TIRUCHENGODE TALUK

### 19. MALLASAMUDRAM

#### Kandaswami temple at Kalipatti

Mallasamudram East is a Town Panchayat inhabited by 10,720 persons at the time of 1951 Census. It is at the twelfth mile from Tiruchengode, the taluk headquarters on the road from Tiruchengode to Salem via Attayampatti running from south-west to north-east. Two miles further upon this road is its hamlet Kalipatti, which is also connected by another five mile road from the nearest Railway Station "Kalipatti road" on Salem-Erode section of the Southern Railway. Kalipatti is well known for its Kandaswami temple. The temple occupies a space of 20 cents. At its entrance, it is surmounted by a four-tiered gopuram. Daily two poojas are performed by a hereditary Gounder. Nearly 100 devotees are reported to visit on Mondays and Fridays and about 500 on New Moon days. The annual car festival is celebrated in the latter part of January (Thai-Pusam). A cattle fair is also held at that time, both of which are claimed to attract a crowd of nearly 10,000 persons. As on 30-7-62, the temple had jewellery worth Rs. 19,405. In fasli 1374, it had an assessed annual income of Rs. 50,000.

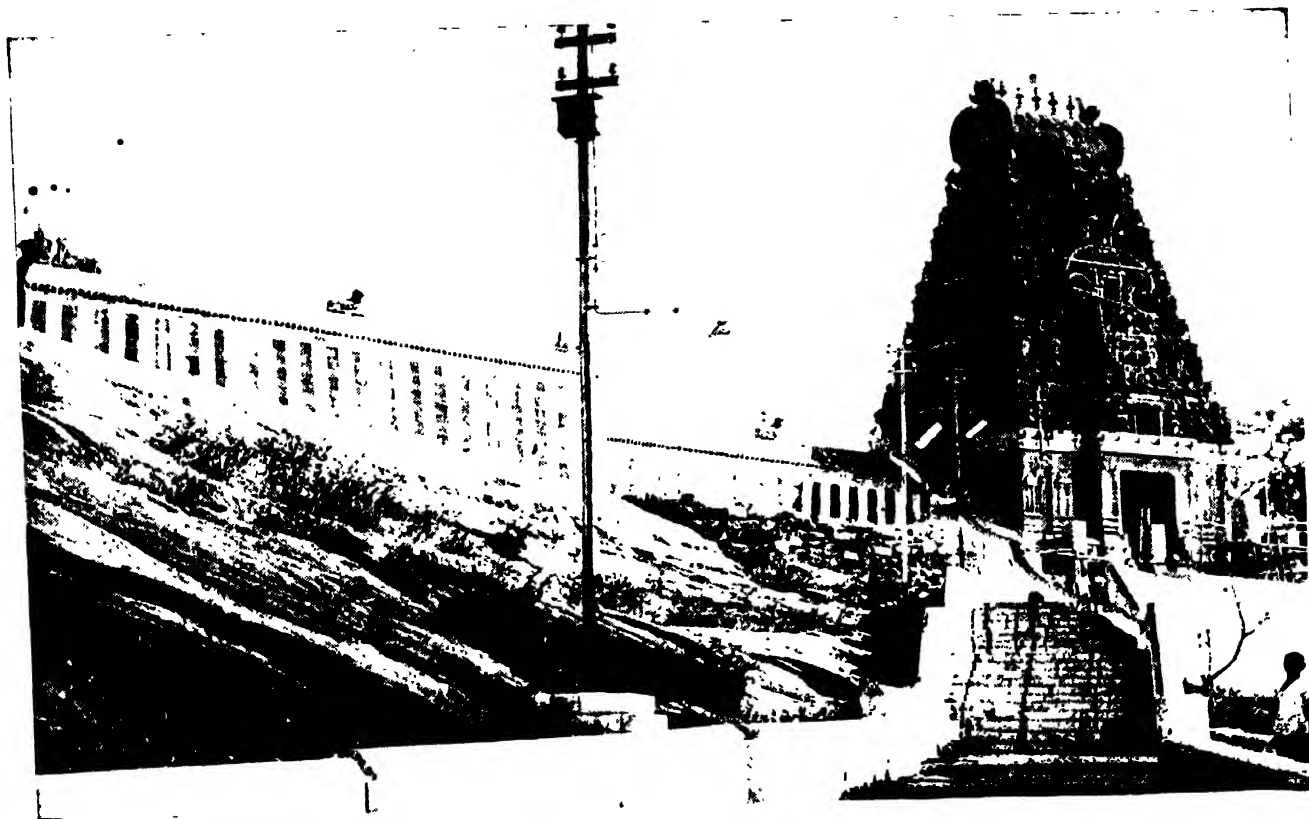
The temple is said to have been built round about 1420 by one of the ancestors of the hereditary priest. It is said that afflicted by acute stomachpain, he was devoted to Kandaswami and offered prayer to him night and day in a thatched shed on the site where stands the present shrine. He worshipped not an idol but a *Kavadi*. His ache in course of time was cured, and by virtue of his devotion, he became gifted with occult powers, and was looked upon as an oracle throughout the region.

People flocked to hear his prophesy, especially on Mondays and Fridays, days particularly auspicious for the worship of Kandaswami. In his life time, he is said to have amassed great wealth, which he spent for the construction of the temple.

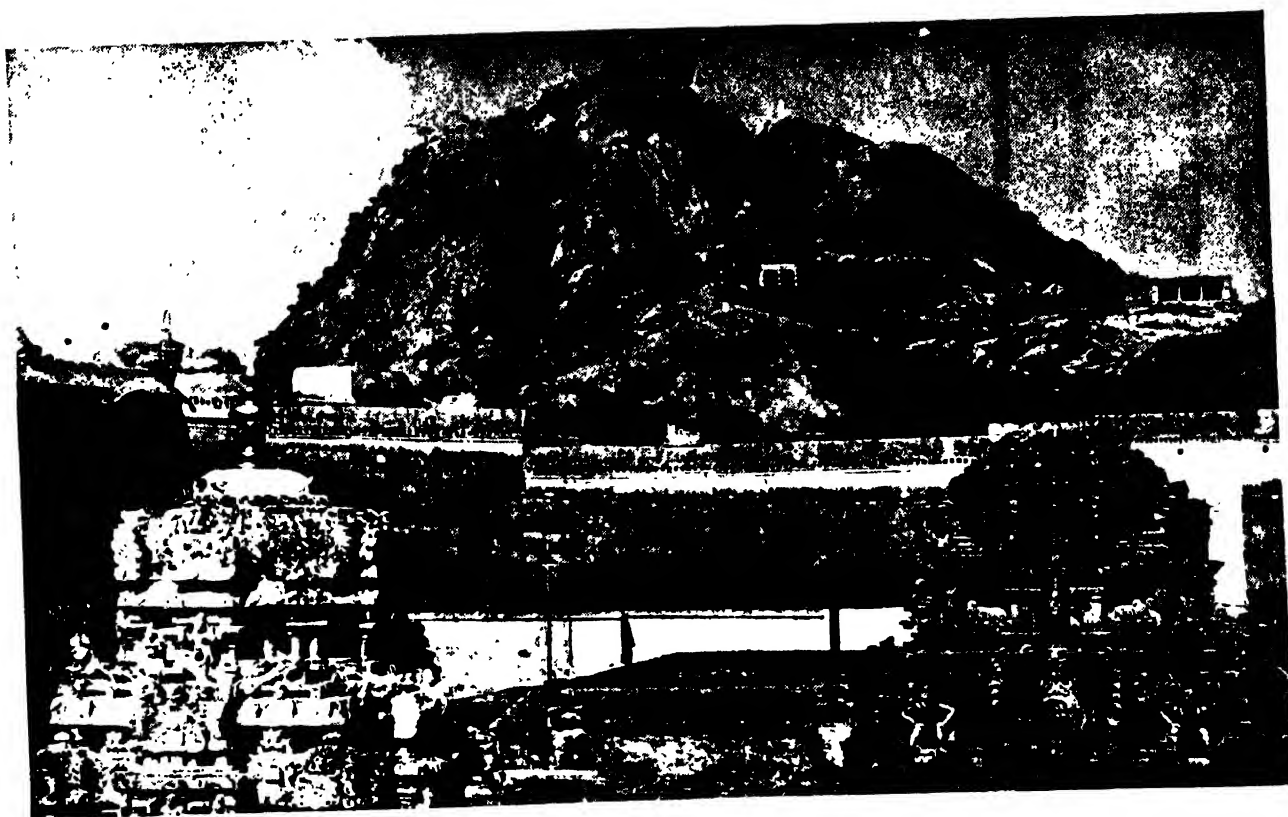
### 33. TIRUCHENGODE

#### Sri Ardhanareeswarar temple

Silappathikaram is one of the ancient and famous Tamil literature claimed to be written either in second or eighth century A.D. It consists of three main divisions known as காண்டம் (Kandam) and thirty minor divisions. In the 24th division viz., Kunrakkuravai of this immortal epic a reference has been made about the shrine of Murugar at Tiruchengode. Again in the twenty-third sub-division under Mathurai Kandam (மதுரைக் காண்டம்) the author of the epic Ilangovaligal (இளங்கோவடிசை) mentions in 189-190 lines a hillock called நெடுவேல் நெடுவேள் குன்றம் (Neduvēl Neduvēl Kundram i.e., hillock of Murugan with long spear) which, Kannagi, the heroine of the epic reaches after her destruction of Madurai; and finally from where she goes to the other world accompanied by her dead husband. This hillock was identified as Tiruchengode by Arumpathaurai Asiriar, (அரும்பதவுரையாசிரியர்) one of the two well recognised ancient interpreters of Silappathikaram and as Tiruchengundru (திருச்செங்குன்று) by Adiyarkku Nallar (அடியார்க்கு நல்லார்) the other interpreter. There exists one thevaram sung by the sage Tirugnana Sambandar on Chengundroor which is believed to be none other than Tiruchengodu. This has also been praised as the famous shrine for Murugan



Ardhanareeswarar Temple, Tiruchengode.



A view from the hill - temple.

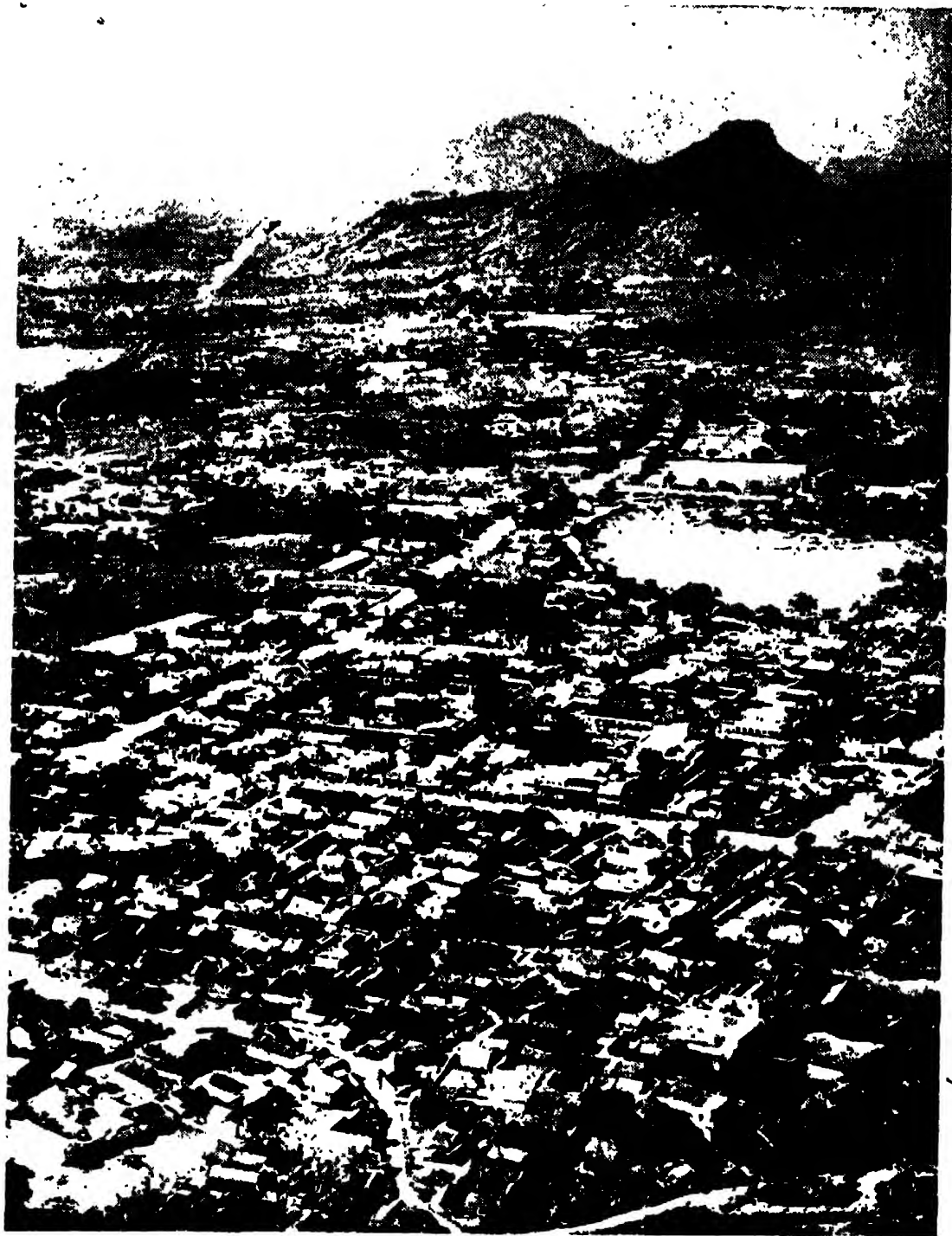


Snakes are worshipped on the way to the temple.

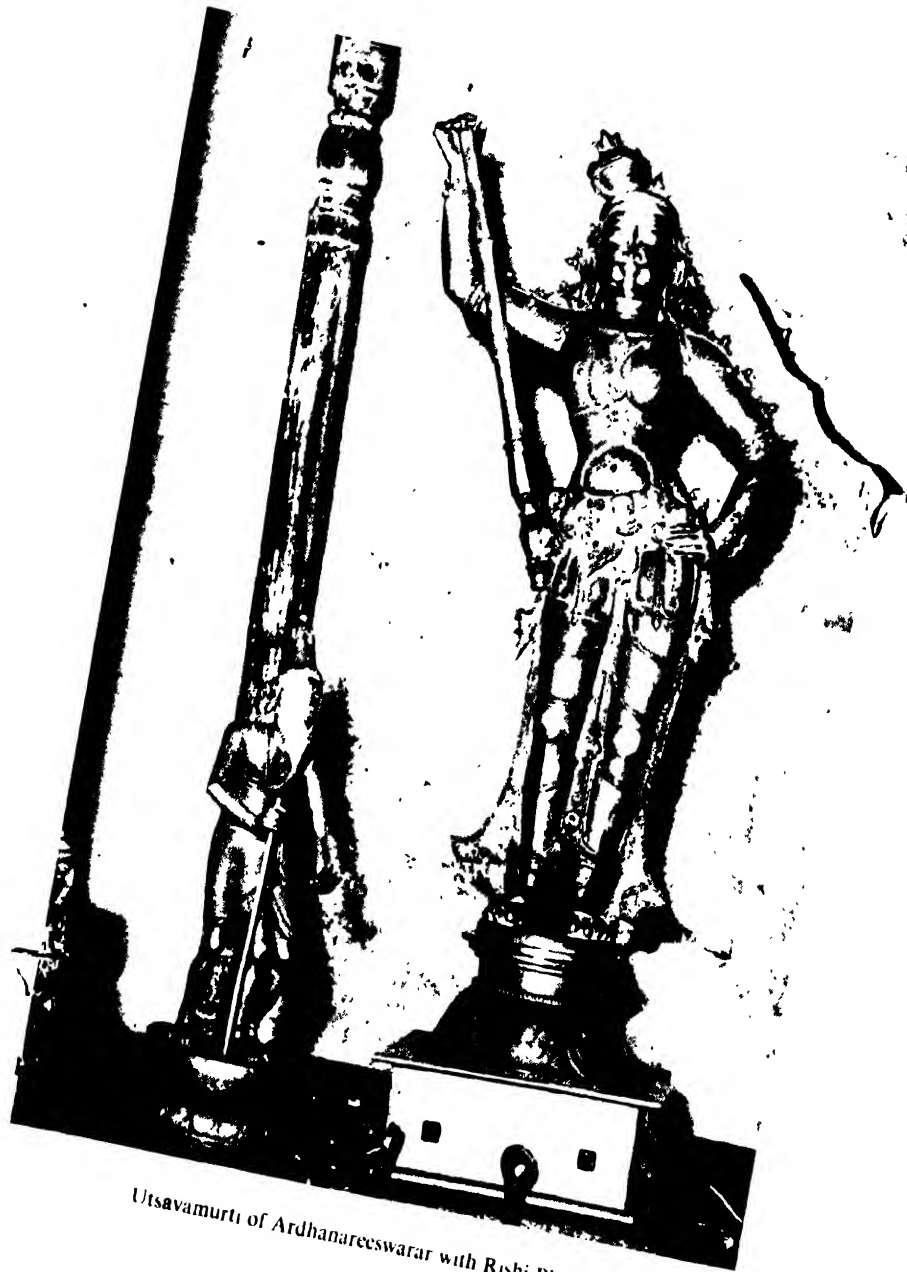




The 60 ft long carving of the five - hooded Serpent on the way to the temple.



A view of the town from the hill - temple.



*Utsavamurti of Ardhanareeswarar with Rishi Bhringi.*



by Arunagirinathar in eight verses of Kandharalanga-am (கந்தரலங்காரம்) one verse of Kandharanubodhi (கந்தரநுபதி) and 27 of the famous Thiruppugazh. These references testify to the very remote origin of the emple dedicated to Lord Muruga.

Thiruchengode is at a distance of about 28 miles south-west of Salem town and about 6 miles from the nearest railway station Sankagiri. The town lies at about 2,000 feet above mean sea level and derives its name from the hillock nearly 1200 feet above the plains. Tiruchengodu (திரு + செங்கோடு) means a red mountain and the hillock derives the name due to the red stains on its sides. According to a legend found in the sthalapuram, a dispute arose between (வாயு தேவன்) the god of the winds and (ஆழிசேஷன்) the serpent king as to which of the two was more strong and powerful. The test applied was that the snake king should coil himself round Meru mountain and the god of the winds should try to drag him off. At the contest, the wind was so severe that it dislodged one of the peaks and tore the serpent's hood. The mountain peak, stained with the serpent's blood, flew on the air and alighted as Tiruchengodu (red stained mountain). The hillock is also known as Nagagiri or serpent hill.

Access to the temple at the middle of the hillock is gained by a winding flight of over 1,200 steps. Several mantapas have been erected at varied intervals along the route. Each mantapam has its own history, a brief account of which can be had from pages 14-16 of the Report of Archaeological Survey Department, Southern Circle for 1907-1908. West of the fourth mantapam known as Taili mandapam, there is a stone image of Nandi (நந்தி—Nandi) facing the hill. Devotees smear it with butter with a great faith that it will result in good yield of milk and milk products from their cow. A gigantic five-hooded serpent in a reclining and reposing posture, extending to about 60 feet in length is carved on a nearby rock on the way up to the temple. Offerings of (குங்குமம்) vermilion powder and pongal

are made to this serpent by the devotees to guard themselves against snake-bite. Cocks are also sacrificed in spite of legal enactments against such sacrifices. The seventh mantapam is mid-way between the foot of the hill and the chief shrine. It is known as (அறுபதாம்படி மண்டபம்) sixtieth step mantapam. Between the sixth and the seventh mantapams, there is a flight of 60 steps known as (சத்திப்படி) oath steps. There is also a small shrine for Murugar. These steps and the shrine were referred to in Tiruppugazh by Arunagirinathar. Disputes are often settled here by one party challenging the other to swear on each step to the justice of his claim, extinguishing burning camphor in the usual manner. No one dares to lie for fear of Divine wrath. This flight of steps is one of the famous places in Tamilnad and there were instances where oaths sworn on them received the recognition of the High Court of Madras. The devotion of the people for the Nandhi, serpent and the sixty steps on the way to the main shrine can be said to be in the same measure as that towards the main shrine, if not more.

The main entrance to the chief shrine has a five tiered gopuram. The outer wall of the temple occupies a space of about 250 feet from east to west and about 200 feet from north to south. The floor of the temple lies at a lower level than that of the entrance in which respect there is a similarity between this temple and that at Taramangalam. Some of the stone works also resemble that of Taramangalam. The Nandhi facing the shrine is said to have come to life and eaten gram on hearing a song sung by a sanyasi in the days of Virupaksha Raya of Vellore. Sambandar is said to have cured the then prevailing epidemic of (நளிர் கரம்) tertian fever by singing திருநீலகண்டத் திருப்பதிகம் (Thiru Neelakanda Thirupathikam).

The temple is famous for Lord Muruga known as Sengottuvelar (செங்கோட்டு வேலர்) as well as அர்த்த நாரீஸ்வரர் (Ardhanareeswarar who embodies Siva and

Sakthi). Following the normal procedure, the image of Lord Muruga faces east but that of Ardhanareeswarar faces west, just behind that of the former. According to puranas, Siva took this form to fulfil His vow to Parvathi, who did severe penance on the very hills, quite near her son Muruga's shrine, to have permanent unity of Ardhabhagam (அர்த்த பாகம்-half the part) with Her consort. It is significant that perhaps this is the only place where there is a separate sanctum sanctorum for Ardhanareeswarar. The image is very impressive, about six feet high, with a majestic appearance and with a fountain containing sacred water of Deeva Theertham underneath the feet. There is also a separate sanctum for Lord Vishnu, locally known as Adhi Kesava Perumal.

On the highest peak of the hill is the Pandisvara temple, a simple structure, the name of which preserves the memory of the Pandya invaders of the thirteenth century. Close by it is the celebrated (மலடிகல்) Maladikkal (barren women's rock). This boulder is poised on the edge of a sheer precipice with a clear drop of at least 800 feet and apparently the slightest breath would topple it on to the town below. There is still a belief that if a woman who is not blessed with children crawls round this rock thrice, she will become a happy mother.

In keeping with its religious origin Tiruchengodu is prolific in inscriptions recording the good deeds done in honour of its gods. Most of the inscriptions, numbering about 30, were copied in the year 1905. The names of Parantaka I (906 A.D.) and Gangaikonda Rajendra Chola occur in the earliest inscriptions. Endowments were also made during the periods of Krishna Raya of Vijayanagar (1522 A.D.) the Nayaks of Madura, Krishna Raja of Mysore (1734 A.D.) etc.

The annual income of the temple excluding specific endowments, assessed for fasli 1375 by the Hindu

Religious and Charitable Endowment (Administration) Department is Rs. 19,066/- with a jewellery estimated to cost Rs. 78,480/- as on 19—8—61. Poojas are performed three times a day. The chief annual car festival falls in the Tamil month of Vaikasi (May-June) when the festival image is brought down from the hill. Devotees in large numbers visit the temple on every New Moon day. The temple is managed by an Executive Officer and a Board of three trustees.

### 105. KOOTHAMPOONDI

#### Village shrines

Koothampoondi is a rural panchayat, which had a population of 2,398 on 1—3—1961. It is about one mile from Manickampalayam which lies at about the 10th mile south east of Tiruchengodu, on the road from Tiruchengodu to Namakkal. It is served by Sankagiri as its nearest railway station, about 15 miles away to its north-east. This is Nallakumaraswami Temple. It has a painted image made of lime and mortar in front of which there are a stone image and a festival image. At the entrance of both sides of Artha Mandapam, there are two statues of police constables. There is also a Maha Mandapam and one prakaram. Besides a small gopuram, there is a Vimanam. In front of the Temple, there are very big statues to a height of nearly 15ft. representing two horses, Chinnanna (சின்னா) and Perianan (பெரியான்) and Karuppanan for which goats used to be sacrificed. Daily one pooja is performed in the noon by a hereditary gounder. Nearly 100 devotees visit the Temple on New Moon days. A five day annual festival is celebrated at the time of Sivarathri (சிவராத்திரி) in the month of Masi (மாசி)—February-March and is attended by nearly 5,000 devotees.

By the side of the above Temple, there is another village shrine dedicated to Aththayee (அத்தாயி). The

presiding deity is represented by a stone image. One pooja is performed in this Temple by a Pandaram. The Temple has no gopuram, but there is vimanam over the sanctum sanctorum. There is one prakaram where there are statues for Dwarapaligai (துவார பாலிகை) to a height of about six feet. The Temple has Artha Mandapam as well as Maha Mandapam. Festival is celebrated once in three years in the month of

Margazhi (மார்கழி December-January) when two to five buffaloes used to be sacrificed.

Rs. 9,527 was the assessed income of Nallakumara-swami Temple during fasli 1375 and that for Annanmar Temple (அன்னம்மார்கோவில்) i.e. Chinnannan and Periannan was Rs. 750/-. The former is managed by an individual and the latter by a Board of five trustees.

## TIRUCHENGODE

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	2	Komarapalayam (P)	Komarapalayam	Sri Pudupattu Ramalinga Choudeeswari amman temple (F)	55	Below 0.08	Sri Ramalinga Choudeeswari amman	Anangur Railway station 8 miles
2	..	do	do	Sri Kailasanathar temple (V)	350	Below 0.30	Sri Kailasanathar	Anangur Railway station 6 miles
3	..	do	do	Sri Badrakali amman temple (F)	45	1.16	Sri Badrakali amman	Anangur Railway station 8 miles
4	..	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayanar temple (V)	800	Below 0.02	Sri Lakshminarayanar	do
5	..	do	do	Sri Kasiviswanatha swamy temple (S)	100	Below 0.02	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami	do
6	..	do	do	Sri Palayapettai Ramalinga Choudeeswari amman temple (F)	50	Below 0.04	Sri Ramalinga Choudeeswari amman	do
7	8	Karuveppampatti (V)	Karuveppampatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 4 miles
8	14	Koothanatham (V)	Koothanatham	Sri Athanooramman temple (F)	Not known	0.05	Sri Athanooramman	Sankari Drug Railway station 15 miles
9				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	



## WALUK

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

2,088	...	...	...	Shops-7	...	35	Lion Chapparam	Twice a day by a Priest	Annual Festival in Thai Pongal Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	No
427	...	...	...	8:00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	120	Car Lion	Thrice a day by a Priest	Annual Car Festival	...	No
...	...	...	...	30:00	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Vaikunta Fkadasi	...	No
376	...	...	...	25:00	...	20	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Thiruvathirai	...	No
353	...	...	...	Shops-3	...	70	...	Thrice a day by a Priest	Pongal Festival Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,100	...	4:00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Masi	...	No
315	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Amman festival once a year	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	15	Senbagamadevi (P)	Sanbakam	Sri Eswarar temple (S)	100	0.02	Sri Eswarar	Mc Donald's Choultry Railway station 5 miles
11				Sri Perumal temple (V)		0.03	Sri Perumal	
12	17	Ballakkuli (V)	Balakuli	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	300	Below 0.04	Sri Kailasanathar	Mc. Donald's choultry Railway station
13	18	Mangalam (P)	Mangalam	Sri Karpura Vinayagar temple (V)	60	Below 0.01	Sri Karpura Vinayagar	do
14				Sri Athanooramman temple (F)			Sri Athanooramman	
15	..	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	150	0.15	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal	Kalipatti Road Railway station 4½ miles
16	..	do	do	Sri Chokkanathaswami temple (M)	150	0.20	Sri Chokkanathaswami	do
17	19	Mallasamudram East (P)	Kalipatti	Sri Kandaswami temple (M)	150	0.20	Sri Kandaswami	Kalipatti Road Railway station 5 miles
18	..	do	do	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	500	0.10	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Kalipatti Road Railway station

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

900	Extent not stated				...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
285	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	7.12	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Priest	Annual Festival in Panguni Uthiram day	...	No
814	0.42	11.66	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
612	0.62	8.38	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
50,000	...	...	...	...	19,405	...	Car and other Vahanams	Twice a day by a hereditary Gounder	Thai Poosam Panguni Uthiram	...	...	No
600	...	6.43	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	Purattasi Karthigai Deepam	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
19	19	Mallasamudram East (P)	Mallasamudram	Sri Soleeswarar temple (S)	200	0.50	Sri Soleeswarar	Kalipatti Road Railway station 6 miles
20				Sri Alagaroya Perumal temple (V)	700	0.50	Sri Alagaroya Perumal	
21	"	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	100	0.13	Sri Sellandiamman	do
22	22	Mamundi-Agraharam (V)	Mamundi	Sri Lakshminarayan Perumal temple (V)	400	0.02	Sri Lakshminarayan Perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 8 miles
23	24	Karumanur (P)	Karumanur	Sri Kagathali- amman temple (F)	150	1.00	Sri Kagathali- amman	Mc. Donald's choultry Railway station 7 miles
24	26	Vattur (P)	Vattoor	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	Sankari Drug Railway station 11 miles
25				Sri Seerkalinathar temple (O)			Sri Seerkalinathar	
26	"	do	do	Sri Chenrayaperumal temple (V)	...	...	Sri Chenrayaperumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 11 miles
27				Sri Athanooramman temple (F)	...	0.75	Sri Athanooramman	

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

2,396	...	...	...	Shops-4	...	...	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Car Festival in Ani	...	No
0.79	...	...	...	...	...	75	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Ani month	...	No
243	1.07	12.30	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
263	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Ani Vaikasi	...	No
...	...	13.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,000	...	13.00	...	...	...	500	...	Once a day by a Brahmin Pandaram	Amman Festival in Ayyappasi	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
28	28	Vattur (P)	Valayagoundenpatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	25	0.10	Sri Vinayagar	Sankari Drug Railway station 17 miles
29	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 19 miles
30	29	P. Chinna-thambi-palayam (V)	Chinnathambi-palayam	Sri Kanji Vinayagar temple (C)	100	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Sankari Drug Railway station 11 miles
31	33	Tiruchengode (P)	Tiruchengode	Sri Arthanareeswarar temple (S)	1,000	3.00	Sri Arthana-reeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 5 miles
32	..	do	do	Sri Badrakaliyamman temple (F)	800	0.25	Sri Badrakaliyamman	do
33	..	do	do	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	800	0.25	Sri Kailasanathar	do
34	..	do	do	Sri Periamariamman temple (F)	50	0.75	Sri Peria Mari-amman	Sankari Drug Railway station 4 miles
35	..	do	do	Sri Chinna Ongali-amman temple (F)	100	0.96	Sri Chinna Ongali-amman	Sankari Drug Railway station 5 miles
36	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.75	Sri Marimman	do

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	Shops-3	...	100	Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	Amman Festival once a year	...	No
200	...	4'25	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
19,066	Extent not stated			Shops	78,480	...	Car Palanquin Chapparam	Thrice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	622 of 1905 and 645 to 651 of 1905	...
...	...	8'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a non-Brahmin	Car Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	652-654 of 1905 and 348-349 of 1959-60	...
673	...	...	...	15'00 Shops	...	500	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Priest	Amman Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
300	...	...	...	Shops	...	40	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
400	...	...	...	House	...	500	...	...	Amman Festival in Ayppasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
37	32	Tiruchengode (P)	Tiruchengode	Sri Sama Muniappar temple (O)	100	0.07	Sri Sama Muniappar	Sankari Drug Railway station 5 miles
38	35	Devanankurichi (P)	Devanankurichi	Sri Sevantheeswarar temple (S)	400	0.02	Sri Sevantheeswarar	Anangur Railway station 2 miles
39	36	Anangur (V)	Anangur	Sri Kariakaliyamman temple (F)	200	0.06	Sri Karikaliyamman	Anangur Railway station
40	„	do	do	Sri Saktheeswarar temple (S)	100	0.02	Sri Saktheeswarar	do
41	37	Elandakuttai (P)	Elandhakuttai	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Cauvery Railway station
42				Sri Pongaliyamman temple (F)		...	Sri Pongaliyamman	
43				Sri Kannimariamman temple (F)		...	Sri Kannimariamman	
44				Sri Kurichimariamman temple (F)		0.01	Sri Kurichimariamman	
45	38	Pallipalayam Agraharam (P)	Pallipalayam Agraharam	Sri Agrahara Viswanathar temple (S)	Not known	0.01	Sri Viswanathar	do
46				Sri Sundareswarar temple (S)			Sri Sundareswarar	



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## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
435	...	...	...	Shops-2 Vacant land	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Muezzin	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	14.50	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes
750	...	...	...	14.02	...	10	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	21.41	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
4,420	22.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Priest	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
3,600	...	...	...	18.21	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal,	Sivarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
47	38	Pallipalayam Agraharam (P)	Pallipalayam Agraharam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.20	Sri Sellandiamman	Cauvery Railway station 1 mile
48	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.30	Sri Mariamman	do
49	40	Samasangili Agraharam (P)	Samayasangili Agraharam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	256	0.25	Sri Sellandiamman	do
50	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	250	0.25	Sri Mariamman	do
51	41	Kalianur (V)	Kalianoor	Sri Kalyana Venkataramaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Kalyana Venkataramaswami	Cauvery Railway station 1½ miles
52	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Mariamman	do
53	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	do
54	..	do	do	Sri Padugai Karuppannaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.10	Sri Karuppannaswami	do
55	..	do	do	Sri Thimmaroyaperumal temple (V)	Not known	0.05	Sri Thimmaroyaperumal	Cauvery Railway station 1½ miles

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)</b>											
1,373	4'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival	...	No
	...	...	...	21'00	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
200	1'50	...	...	...	500	500	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
	...	...	...	1'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Amman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
2,300	45'00	10'00	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,700	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
700	2'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	Sivarathri	...	No
1,000	4'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Naicker	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
56	41	Kalianur (V)	Kalianoor	Sri Karuppannaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.10	Sri Karuppannaswami	do
57	„	do	Melakkandampalayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Cattvery Railway station 2 miles
58	47	Thokkavadi (P)	Kallapalayam	Sri Ramaperumal temple (V)	Not known	0.02	Sri Ramaperumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 12 miles
59				Sri Nallairamaswami temple (S)		0.02	Sri Nallannaswami	
60	52	Ravandapalayam (alias Komarapalayam)	Komaramangalam	Sri Pandeeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.50	Sri Pandeeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 10 miles
61	„	do	do	Sri Natana Vinayagar temple (G)	...	...	Sri Natana Vinayagar	do
62	57	Avanasipatti (P) Kothagoundenpalayam	Avanashipatti Elachipalayam	Sri Vellaiperumal temple (V)	Not known	0.75	Sri Vellaiperumal	Sanakri Drug Railway station 19 miles
63	61	Palamedu (P)	Palamedu	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	150	0.50	Sri Venkata Ramanaswami	Kalipatti Road Railway station 11 miles
64	„	do	do	Sri Athanooramman temple (F)	150	0.50	Sri Athanooramman	do

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
900	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Goundar	Sivarathri	...	No
1,600	6'00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
250	...	4'33	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Chakkilian	No	...	No
1,500	Extent not stated			...	...	...	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
269	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
600	...	9'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Nadar	...	...	No
271	...	...	...	...	...	20	Chapparam	Once a day by a Gurukkal	...	...	No
521	...	...	7.50	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival once a year	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
65	64	Manjanoor (V)	Vyappamalai	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	100	1-00	Sri Subramania-swami	Sankari Drug Railway station 22 miles
66	66	Minnampalir (P)	Minnampalli	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0-02	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 19 miles
67	67	Marapparai (P)	Marapparai Thenna-marathu-palayam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0-01	Sri Mariamman	Kalipattu Road Railway station 14 miles
68	67	Marapparai (P)	Marapparai Thennamara-thupalayam	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	250	0-50	Sri Kalamman	Kalipattu Road Railway station 14 miles
69	„	do	Namperumal-palayam	Sri Namperumalswami temple (V)	150	0-50	Sri Namperumal-swami	Kalipattu Road Railway station 13 miles
70	70	Paruthipalli (P)	Paruthipalli	Sri Moonrumatha Mariamman temple (F)	150	1-50	Sri Moonrumatha Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station
71	72	Konnayar (P)	Konnaiyur	Sri Chella Perumal temple (V)	300	2-00	Sri Chella Perumal	do
72				Sri Kariaperumal temple (V)			Sri Kariaperumal	
73	73	Agaram (V)	Agaram	Sri Neelakandeswarar temple (S)	300	0-70	Sri Eswaraswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 16 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
269	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
228	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Chakkilian	...	...	No
...	...	...	...	3'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
250	...	...	...	5'00	...	...	Vimanam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
525	...	...	...	...	...	...	Garudan Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Festivals in Purattasi and Chithirai	...	No
1,877	...	17'92	...	...	...	250	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Amman Festival in Margazhi	...	No
400	...	...	...	10'18	...	1,000	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
250	...	...	...	12'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Annual Festival in Margazhi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
74	73	Agaram (V)	Agaram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	40	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 15 miles
75				Sri Paliamman temple (F)			Sri Soorapuli- amman	
76	"	do	do	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	300	0.75	Sri Chenroya Perumal	do
77	87	Odappalli Agraharam (V)	Odappalli (Pallipalayam)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	Cauvery Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
78	88	Kokkarayampet (P)	Kokkoroyampettai	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	250	0.02	Sri Venugopala- swami	Cauvery Railway station 5 miles
79				Sri Brahmalingeswarar temple (S)			Sri Brahmalinge- swarar.	
80	90	A. Erayaman-galam (P)	Erayaman-galam	Sri Korai-kutti Elaya Perumal alias Sri Venkataramana-swami temple (V)	200	0.03	Sri Venkatara- manaswanthi	Sankari Drug Railway station 12 miles
81	"	do	do	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Badrakali- amman	Sankari Drug Railway station 17 miles
82				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.02	Sri Mariamman	



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

395	...	...	...	8-00 Houses-3	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Naicker	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
200	0-50	7-00	...	...	...	200	...	Once a day by a hereditary Chettiar	Festival in Purattasi	...	No
240	...	...	...	17-90	...	410	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
8,245	...	...	...	15 00 Shops	...	1,000	Car	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Car Festival in Chithirai	...	No
300	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni Masi	...	No

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Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
83	92	Molasi (P)	Molasi	Sri Mukkanneswarar temple (S)	300	0.25	Sri Mukkanneswarar	Pasur Railway station 1 mile
84	„	do	do	Sri Murari Venkatachala Perumal temple (V)	500	0.15	Sri Murari Venkatachala Perumal	Pasur Railway station 2½ miles
85	„	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)		0.20	Sri Sellandiamman	Pasur Railway station 1 mile
86				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.50	Sri Mariamman	
87				Sri Manranthaswamy temple (S)	500	...	Sri Manranthaswami	
88				Sri Muniappar temple (O)		...	Sri Muniappar	
89	93	Pirithi (P)	Piruthi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.30	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 13 miles
90	96	Unjanai (P)	Unjanai	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	100	1.03	Sri Pongaliamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 12 miles
91	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Mariamman	do
92	„	do	do	Sri Siyazhinatheeswarar temple (S)	100	0.21	Sri Eswarar	do

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Annual income assessed for Fash 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deci- phered but re-ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
1,750	...	...	...	25.80	...	10	Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No
8.0	...	8.1	...	...	...	8	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaishakha kadasi	...	No
650	...	...	...	22.09	...	30	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival in Thai	...	No
400	...	24.00	...	...	...	500	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Adi	...	No
1,084	0.46	11.24	..	...	...	300	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Priest	Amman Festival in Ayippasi	...	No
300	0.92	...	...	10.29	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Ayippasi	...	No
200	0.89	8.00	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by hereditary Gurukkals	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
93	96	Unjanai (P)	Unjanai	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	100	0.06	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station
94	97	Molippalli (P)	Molippalli	Sri Annamarswami temple (O)	300	1.00	Sri Annamarswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 13½ miles
95	102	Perya Manali (V)	Periamanali	Sri Karakaliamman temple (F)	300	0.75	Sri Karikali- amman	Sankari Drug Railway station 22 miles
96	105	Kothampoondi (P)	Koothampoondi Agharam	Sri Boologamatha temple (S)	100	0.50	Sri Eswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 15 miles
97	..	do	do	Sri Nallakumaraswami temple (M)	100	0.50	Sri Nallakumaraswami	do
98	..	do	do	Sri Annamarswami temple (O)	150	0.50	Sri Annammar	Sankari Drug Railway station
99	114	Puthur East	Puthur	Sri Sooleeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.15	Sri Sooleeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 19 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
300	0.67	9.15	...	...	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Priest	...	...	No
1,000	...	...	...	8.24	...	1,000	Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Moopar	Sivarathri festival	...	No
368	...	...	15.00	...	...	700	Car Lion Palanquin Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
2,595	...	...	...	22.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No
9,527	...	...	...	2.50	...	1,000	Ratham	Once a day by hereditary Archagars	Sivarathri	...	No
750	...	7.91	...	...	...	50	Palanquin Car Elephant Horse Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
660	Extent not stated			...	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

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Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	35	Devanam-kurichi	Devanam-kurichi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.40	Sri Vinayagar	Sankari Drug Railway station 9 miles
2	38	Pallipalayam Agraharam	Pallipalayam (P)	Sri Omgaliannan temple (F)	37	Below 0.10	Sri Omgaliannan	Cauvery Railway station 1 mile
3	61	Palamedu (P)	Palamedu	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	150	0.50	Sri Chenroya-Perumal	Kalpatti Road Railway station 11 miles
4	..	do	do	Sri Vaneeswarar temple (S)	100	0.40	Sri Vaneeswarar	Vembaditalam Railway station 10 miles
5	70	Paruthipalli (P)	Paruthipalli	Sri Adikesava Perumal temple (V)	200	0.50	Sri Adikesava Perumal	Kalpatti Road Railway station 2 miles
6	..	do	do	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	800	...	Sri Subramaniam	do
7	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Mariamman	do
8	89	Pattur (V)	Pattur	Sri Nattathu Agastheeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.75	Sri Agastheeswarar	Chavadipalayam Railway station

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board											
400	...	14.95	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Murgazhi	...	No
...	...	...	6.50	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Arudhra Dharisanam	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
700	...	...	...	8.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No
1,500	2.90	...	...	...	...	200	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	Yes





## RASIPURAM TALUK

### 21. PUDUPPATTI

#### **Thulukka Choodamani Amman (*alias*) Mariamman Temple :**

Puduppatti is about 7 miles north-east of Rasipuram on a circuitous route to Attur. It is 23 miles away from Salem, the nearest railway station, to which it is connected by bus. It is fairly a big panchayat with a population of 5,291 and is well known for its temple dedicated to Thulukka Choodamani Amman alias Mariamman. It was built some three hundred years ago, during the reign of the Moghul Emperors. According to a legend in vogue, a young girl was infected with smallpox and succumbed to it. In her memory a "Samadhi" (tomb) was erected. Later on, this temple came into existence over the "Samadhi" to commemorate the pathetic end of that maiden, by the then Muslim inhabitants of this place. Subsequently, a mahamandapam and a sabhamandapam were added to it by the village folk. This famous and sacred Mariamman temple is centrally situated in the heart of the village, covering an area of about 10 cents and supported by 48 pillars.

The presiding deity Mariamman is represented by a stone image in the form of a Lingam. Three poojas are performed in a day, by hereditary Pandarams by rotation. The deity is believed to be more powerful especially when one is inflicted by smallpox or eye troubles. Nearly 1,000 devotees visit the temples on Mondays and Fridays. New Moon days are also considered to be more auspicious. There is an 80 year old wooden car here, donated by devotees the height, length and breadth of which are 20, 14 and 12 feet. The annual car festival takes place during the last Wednesday, in the month of Panguni. It is claimed to

attract about two lakhs devotees, from far and near. It is said that once, one low caste devotee by name Kumanan was denied entry into the temple by other devotees of better social status. Immediately, the presiding deity is said to have offered him a special dharshan by turning round Her face. Amman is, therefore renowned for her great power, "Shakthi" and unbiased blessings to all devotees, irrespective of their caste, creed or social status.

The temple owns jewellery, in gold and silver, worth about Rs. 150/-. It derives an annual income of about Rs. 450/- from its landed properties. Additional income, ranging from Rs. 500/- to Rs. 2,000/- a year are reported through its Hundi collections. Besides, it also gets a further income of about Rs. 100/- to Rs. 150/- by way of offerings from the devotees as "Kanikkai" to the Amman. During fasli 1375, the overall annual income of the temple was assessed to be Rs. 6,246/-. The Temple is managed by a Board of two trustees.

### 39. ALAVOIPATTI

#### **Balasubramaniaswami Temple**

Alavoipatti is about 18 miles south-west of Salem and about 8 miles north-west of Rasipuram, the taluk headquarters. It is connected by bus with Rasipuram, Attayampatti, Nangayalli and Mecheri. Vembadi-thalam, at a distance of about 9 miles is the nearest railway station. At the time of 1961 Census, it had a population of 2,974. It is known for a hill temple dedicated to Lord Muruga. The hill is about 1½ miles

from the panchayat proper, from where a flight of about 1,500 steps leads to the temple at the middle of the hill. The name Alavoipatti is said to be a corrupt form of உலாவாய்ப்பட்டி (Ulaivaipatti) derivation from உலாவாய்மலை (Ulaivai malai) the name of the hill. It is said that Sidhars lived on the hill and produced gold and hence the hill was called after the உலை (Ulai) or furnace used in producing the gold. It is believed that at the top of the hill there is a chain, which can be pulled out from a hole to a height of 5 to 6 feet, which, when dropped, is believed to be hitting against a treasure trove thereby producing a sound of metallic clash. A stone inscription is also believed to exist according to which some events at this place and at Poymankaradu, a few miles north-east on the national highways from Salem to Namakkal are indicated. Incidentally பொய்மங்கரடு (Poymankaradu) is worth visiting to get convinced that it is a standing testimony for the ability, skill and intelligence of some unknown artisan of the forgotten past, who carved out a portion of the rock with pre-planned angular precision and manoeuvred in such a way that, on a bright sunny day, an illusionary figure of a deer appears to any one who looks at the hillock from the plains in front. The origin of the hill Temple at Alavoimalai is believed to have some association with the Sidhas and the above mystic account. A non-hereditary Brahmin from the Panchayat performs a single pooja at the hill Temple. Mondays of the Tamil month Karthigai கார்த்திகை (November-December) are believed to be important occasions for the Temple. However, the festival image is kept at Easwara Temple on the plains, which is a sub-temple of Balasubramaniaswami Devasthanam.

The Temple on the plains is dedicated to Ekambaranathar, represented by the image of a Lingam. The Temple covers an area of about one acre, with a massive fortress all around and thirtysix pillars to support the structures within it. Inside the Temple, there is an Ilandhai (இலந்தை) tree, supposed to be 200 years old, whose fruits are said to have four different

tastes. Besides, there are three more vilva (விலவ) trees with leaves of five branches, which is claimed to be a peculiar feature. Two poojas are performed in this temple by another non-hereditary Brahmin. Panguni Uthiram is the chief annual festival of this Temple. The festivals are claimed to attract a crowd of 10,000 devotees.

The temple owns jewellery in gold and silver, worth about Rs. 650/-, which include two kasumalais, consisting of 35 gold coins in all, valued at Rs. 350/-, a 2½ sovereign "Thazhukku Saram" (chain) worth about Rs. 200/- and a silver kavacham for the presiding deity valued at Rs. 100. The immovable properties of the temple comprise about 26.84 acres of dry lands, which are leased out for an average annual rent of Rs. 300 and the same is spent towards the conduct of the daily poojas and periodical festivals of the temple and for its general maintenance. The overall income of the Temple for fasli 1375 was assessed to be Rs. 1078. The temple is also in possession of a 30 feet high six-wheeled wooden car, on a square base of 15 feet, a 15 feet high four-wheeled small wooden car, on a square base of 10 feet, a 7 feet high Ratham, 40 feet in circumference and a peacock vahanam. The administration of the devasthanam is vested in a Board of three trustees.

#### 45. RASIPURAM

##### Kailasanathar Temple

Rasipuram is a Municipal town and the headquarters of a taluk of the same name. Its area is 2.85 square miles and had a population of 23,871 at the time of 1961 Census. It is located about 18 miles south of Salem and is noted for handloom weaving and brass vessel making. There is also good trade in palam-gur, rice and ghee. Rasipuram sago is quite famous. The local Siva Temple is known as Kailasanathar Temple.

The Temple faces west, whereas Siva Temples normally face east. It has a gopuram 35' high and occupies about half an acre and is supposed to have been built by Val Vil Ori, who ruled over Kolli hills. An east facing statue, situated on the south west in the only prakaram, is believed to represent Val Vil Ori. Arunagirinathar praised the presiding deity of this Temple in one of his Thiruppugazh (திருப்புகழ்). Rasipuram has been referred to as Rajapuram in that Thiruppugazh. The image of the presiding deity Kailasanathar is a Swayambu Lingam, facing west. His consort is known as Dinarnasamvardhini (திருநாசம்வர்த்தினி) facing east. There is also a separate sanctum sanctorum for Shanmugar, facing south. In front and on either side of the Mahamantapam is a five pillared hall. Yagasalai, panchahayis and Mudapilli are on the east side, behind the temple proper. Near the yagasalai is a shrine to Bhairava where, in former days, the key of the main shrine was laid for safety. Poojas are performed twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin. Daily, about 10 to 20 devotees visit the Temple. The chief annual car festival is held in the month of Chithirai (தித்திரை April-May) and attracts nearly 300 devotees. The Temple possesses a wooden car, palanquin and Ratham. It also owns one acre of wet and four acres of dry land. In fasli 1375, the Temple had an annual assessed income of Rs. 2,857-/. A Board of two trustees manages the Temple affairs.

### 81. BAILNADU

#### Palani Andavar temple

Kollimalais form part of the hills of Salem district, and are situated partly in Namakkal and partly in Rasi-

puram taluks. Bailnadu is one of its divisions and is in the southern part of Rasipuram taluk. At the time of 1961 Census, it had 661 houses occupied by 2,618 persons. It is about 10 miles south-east of Rasipuram and can be reached from Belukkurichechi of Namakkal taluk on Rasipuram—Namakkal road. It is known for the hill temple dedicated to Lord Muruga. The stone image of the presiding deity is in the form of a hunter (வேட்டுவக்கிரகம்) with a cock in his left hand and spear (வேல்) in his right. In two Tiruppugazh songs (திருப்புகழ்), Arunagirinathar sang in praise of this deity. There are also images for Vigneswarar, Easwaran, Amman, Maha Visnu, Idumban and Navagraham. The temple is said to trace its origin to the period of Val Vil Ori, the ancient Tamil ruler of Kolli hills. Subsequent renovations have been made several times, the latest of which include electrification, a Mandapam for devotees to take rest (விசைப்பரையம் மண்டபம்) while climbing up the steps to reach the Temple. There are two prakarams in the Temple, besides the sanctum sanctorum, Artha Mandapam and Maha Mandapam. Daily, two poojas are performed by a hereditary Brahmin. New Moon days, Kiruthigai, Sashti, Chithra Pournami, Navarathri, Karthigai Dheepam, Panguni Uthiram and Thai Poosam are the festival occasions, of which Karthigai Dheepam and Thai Poosam are the chief festivals claimed to attract about 20,000 devotees. The temple owns a wooden car, a peacock vahanam and a chapparam. About 60 acres of land, claimed to belong to the temple, is under dispute in the court of law. The annual income of the temple during fasli 1375 was assessed to be Rs. 200. A board of three trustees manages the temple affairs.

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	3	Ponnarappatti (V)	Ponnarappatti	Sri Padavettiamman temple (F)		0.12	Sri Padavettiamman	Vembaditalam Railway station 11 miles
2	16	Thimmanappatti (P)	Thimmanappatti	Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	100	0.03	Sri Dharmarajar	Valappadi Railway station 7 miles
3	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	Valappadi Railway station 7 miles
4				Sri Perumal temple (V)			Sri Perumal	
5				Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	100	Not stated	Sri Drowpathiamman	
6				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
7				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.03	Sri Sellandiamman	
8	21	Pudupatti (P)	Pudupatti	Sri Mariamman temple <i>alias</i> Thulukkachoodamani Amman (F)	300	0.10	Sri Mariamman <i>alias</i> Thulukkachoodamani Amman	Salem Town Railway station 23 miles
9	26	Pattanam (P)	Pattanam	Sri Veerageswara-swami temple (S)	100	0.50	Sri Veerageswara-swami	Salem Junction 18 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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2.0	...	6.40	...	...	...	47	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Mudaliar	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
...	...	5.14	...	Shandy	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No
900	...	5.14	2.27	...	...	450	Cars-2 Horses-2 Ajams-3	Once a day by a Gounder	Car Festival in Chithirai Navarathri Karthigai Deepam Amman Festival in Adi Agni Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
6,246	...	3.50	...	Shop	...	250	Car Horse	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
350	...	4.00	...	...	...	100	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Karthigai	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	30	Athanur (P)	Athanoor	Sri Athanooramnan temple (F)	500	0.53	Sri Athanooramnan	Salem Town Railway station 13 miles
11				Sri Adheeswarar (S) and Sri Sanjeevi- raya Perumal temple (V)			Sri Adheeswarar Sri Sanjeeviroya Perumal	
12	24	Vennandur (P)	Vennandur	Sri Theerthagireeswarar temple (S)	150	0.20	Sri Theerthagireeswarar	Vembaditalam Railway station 8 miles
13	„	do	do	Sri Karimanicka Perumal temple (V)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Kariamanicka Perumal	Vembaditalam Railway station 7 miles
14	„	do	do	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	200	Not stated	Sri Selva Vinayagar	do
15	„	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	200	0.98	Sri Sellandiamman	do
16				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		1.00	Sri Mariamman	
17	35	Nechipatti (P)	Nachipatty	Sri Venkatachala- pathy temple (V)	200	0.25	Sri Venkatachala- pathy	Vembaditalam Railway station 9 miles
18	39	Alavoippatti (P)	Alavoipatty	Sri Balasubramaniam temple (M)	1500	1.00	Sri Balasubramaniaswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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						40	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Mudaliar	Annual Festival in Panguni		
2,048	Extent not stated					20	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Adi Thirumanjanam Kartikai Deepam	...	Yes
662	1.50	12.13	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
500	8.12	...	...	...	200	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
700	0.74	5.32	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
500	...	...	...	5.00	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
500	1.03	4.14	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Thirukkodi-thiruvizha	...	No
1,078	...	11.00	...	...	...	6.0	Car Ratham Peacock	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram Soora Samharam	...	Yes

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
19	45	Rasipuram (M)	Rasipuram	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	1800	0 50	Sri Kailasana-thar	Salem Junction Railway station 20 miles
20	"	do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	1000	0.50	Sri Sellandi-amman	do
21	"	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	...	0.50	Sri Mariamman	do
22	"	do	do	Sri Ponnuradaraja Perumal temple (V)	25	0.50	Sri Ponvarada- raja Perumal	do
23	"	do	do	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Kamakshi-amman	Salem Town Railway station 20 miles
24	"	do	do	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	50	Not known	Sri Venugopala-swami	Salem Town Railway station
25	"	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0.50	Sri Angalamman	Salem Town Railway station 16 miles
26	46	Koneripatti (Part) (V)	Koneripatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 18 miles
27				Sri Drowpathiamman temple (F)	1000	0.50	Sri Drowpathi-amman	
28				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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2,857	1-00	4-00	...	...	...	500	Car Ratham Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Car Festival in Chithirai	...	Yes
2,778	...	...	...	22-00	...	80	Car Lion Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in ...	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,765	...	...	...	25-26	...	1000	Car Ratham Palanquin Vahanams	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Car Festival in Panguni	...	Yes
200	...	...	...	Shops-2 Building-1	...	...	...	Only on important days by an Asari	No	...	No
200	...	...	...	Shops-2	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Devangar	Sri Rama Navami Sri Krishna Jayanthi Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
300	Extent not stated			...	...	100	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Priest	Sivarathri Annual Festival in Ayppasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
29	47	Kakkaveri (P)	Kakkaveri	Sri Purantheeswaran temple (S)	500	0.10	Sri Purantheeswarar	Salem Town Railway station 18 miles
30	"	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	do
31				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	500	0.50	Sri Sellandiamman	
32				Sri Pillayar temple (G)			Sri Pillayar	
33	"	do	do	Sri Ramalinga Choudambigaianman temple (F)	19.	0.10	Sri Ramalinga Choudambikamman	do
34	"	do	Poosaripalayam	Sri Pachiamman alias Mannarswami temple (O)	80	0.10	Sri Pachiamman	Salem Town Railway station 20 miles
35	49	Namagiripet	Arayagoundenpatti	Sri Kongalamman temple (F)	100	1.00	Sri Kongalamman	Salem Town Railway station 23 miles
36	"	do	Arayagoundanpatti (Namagiripet)	Sri Vigneswaraswami temple (S)	150	0.03	Sri Vigneswaraswami	Salem Junction 22 miles
37	"	do	Chinnakkaveri	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Salem Town Railway station 22 miles
38				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.01	Sri Mariamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

417	2.05	16.59	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurus kal	No	...	Yes
700	0.90	6.47	...	...	...	200	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
409	...	...	...	Shops House	...	...	Horse Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Devangar	Ani Thirumanjanam	...	No
400	...	...	...	...	...	...	Horse Chapparam	Poojas by a hereditary Padayachi	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
210	...	3.50	...	17.00	...	300	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
300	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Poosari	Karthigai Deepam Thipoosam	...	No
300	...	1.94	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
39	49	Namagiripet	Namagiripet	Sri Venugopalaswami temple (V)	150	1.84	Sri Venugopaswami	Salem Town Railway station 21 miles
40	..	do	do	Sri Veerabhadraswami temple (S)	300	0.50	Sri Veerabhadraswami	do
41	..	do	do	Sri Kariaperumal temple (V)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Kariaperumal	Salem Town Railway station 22 miles
42	..	do	Oduvankurichi	Sri Kasiviswanathar temple (S)	100	0.50	Sri Kasiviswanathar	do
43	..	do	do	Sri Badrakaliamman temple (F)		0.50	Sri Badrakaliamman	Salem Town, Railway station 20 miles
44				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.20	Sri Vinayagar	
45				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.20	Sri Mariamman	
46	..	do	Seerapalli	Sri Sevanteeswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	0.91	Sri Sevanteeswarar	Salem Town Railway station 21 miles
47	..	do	do	Sri Ramalinga Sowdeeswariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Choudeeswariamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
<b>and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)</b>											
6,299	9.53	6.08	...	...	...	...	Car Swan Palanquin Elephant Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattacharia	...	...	No
934	8.00	...	...	Shops Houses Vacant sites	...	...	Rishabam Swan	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Arudra Darisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
300	...	7.91	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naidu	No	...	No
1,334	7.00	...	...	...	...	100	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
500	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
3,787	11.49	96.73	...	...	...	...	Car Rishabam Peacock	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram	...	No
975	2.54	...	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Devangar	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
48	47	Namagiripet	Vellakkal	Sri Velayudhaswami temple (M)	200	0.50	Sri Velayudhaswami	Salem Town Railway station 22 miles
49	56	Pachudayam-palayam (P)	Pachudayam-palayam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	do
50	..	do	do	Sri Karuppannar temple (O)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Karuppannar	Salem Town Railway station 24 miles
51	..	do	do	Sri Muniappar temple (O)	300	Below 0.03	Sri Muniappar	Salem Town Railway station 22 miles
52	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)		Below 0.02	Sri Mariamman	
53	..	do	do	Sri Kariaperumal temple (V)	200	Below 0.10	Sri Kariaperumal	Salem Town Railway station 24 miles
54	61	Chandrasekara-puram (P)	Chandrasekara-puram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 18 miles
55	65	Sowthapuram (Part) (P)	Sowdapuram	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	300	0.03	Sri Pongaliamman	Ariyalur Railway station
56	69	Ponkurichi (P)	Ponkurichi (Ayipalayam)	Sri Ponkalamman temple (F)	100	0.25	Sri Ponkalamman	Salem Town Railway station 18 miles
57	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Mariamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

263	...	9.58	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai Panguni Uthiram	...	No
	...	1.60	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival	...	No
200	...	...	4.99	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Pongal Festival	...	No
300	...	3.31	...	...	...	...	Horse	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival	...	No
200	...	...	3.31	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Poosari	Pongal Festival	...	No
275	...	3.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
798	...	...	...	...	...	48	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Pongal Festival	...	No
200	...	7.10	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
200	...	2.40	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Mooppar	Annual Festival in Ayyappasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
58	69	Ponkurichi (P)	Ponkurichi (Aripalayam)	Sri Rajeswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.20	Sri Rajeswaraswami	Salem Town Railway station 18 miles
59	72	Pillanallur (P)	Gurusami-palayam	Sri Guruswami alias Pillayar temple (G)	200	0.30	Sri Guruswami (Pillayar)	do
60	74	Anaipalayam	Anaipalayam	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Salem Town Railway station 16 miles
61				Sri Sellandiamman (F)	...	0.02	Sri Sellandiamman	
62	79	Singalanda-puram (Part) (P)	Singalanda-puram	Sri Tiruneeswarar temple (S)	1000	0.50	Sri Tiruneeswarar	Salem Town Railway station 20 miles
63	..	do	do	Sri Aladi Vinayagar temple (G)	500	0.50	Sri Vinayagar	do
64	81	Bailnadu (P)	Bailnadu	Sri Palani Andavar temple (M)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Palani Andavar	Salem Town Railway station 25 miles
65	83	Thirupulinadu (V)	Tiruppulinadu (Kolli Hills)	Sri Arangathappan temple (O)	Not known	0.20	Sri Arangathappan	Salem Town Railway station 48 miles
66	85	Alathurnadu (V)	Alathoornadu Kolli Hills (Thammampatti)	Sri Kalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Kalamman	Salem Town Railway station 52 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
600	...	14.34	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Ayppasi	...	No
1,294	...	8.20	...	Shops	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
300	...	3.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
574	...	...	2.00	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
200	1.00	10.00	...	...	...	300	...	...	Annual Festival in Ayppasi	...	No
200	...	...	60.00	...	...	...	Car Peacock Vahanam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
200	0.40	...	...	...	...	322	Car	...	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
200	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car	Once a day by a Poosari	...	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	30	Athanur (P)	Athanoor	Sri Badrakali- amman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0·01	Sri Badrakali- amman	Salem Junction Railway station 13 miles
2	34	Vennandur	Vennandur	Sri Eswaran temple (S)	200	0·50	Sri Eswaran	Vembadithalam Railway station 7 miles
3	49	Namagiripet	Namagiripet	Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)	150	0·01	Sri Karia Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 25 miles
4	„	do	Arayagounden-patti	Sri Vigneswarar temple (G)	100	0·03	Sri Vigneswarar	Salem Town Railway station 24 miles
5	„	do	do	Sri Athu Pillayar temple (G)	150	0·15	Sri Pillayar	...
6	„	do	Vellaikalpatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	80	Below 0·06	Sri Mariamman	Salem Junction Railway station 24 miles
7	„	do	Namagiripet	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	300	0·05	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 24 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)											
1,200	Extent not stated			...	...	640	Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Pillai	Pongal Karthigai Deepam	...	No
..	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
2,500	..	6.94	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naidu	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
200	Extent not stated			...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Padayachi	No	...	No
150	...	...	...	3.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Vanniyar	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
150	1.00	...	...	...	...	100	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Chithirai	...	No
200	...	...	...	4.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Priest	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No

## ATTUR TALUK

### 17. ETHAPUR

#### Sambamoortheeswarar temple

Ethapur is one of the five sacred places representing the five natural elements Earth, fire, water, air and sky (Pancha Boodha sthalam) on the banks of Vellar river or Vasishta Nadhi. It is about two miles north of the seventh mile from Athur on the State highways towards Salem. It is connected both by rail and bus service. The temple occupies a space of nearly 1 acre, with three prakarams. It is said that some two hundred years back, a Mysore king constructed the temple. The image of the presiding deity is a Lingam and is known as Sambamoorthy Eswarar. He is supposed to be Appu Lingam on the banks of Vellar river. His consort is known as Manonmani Amman. The presiding deity faces east whereas His consort faces south. It is said that sun rays fall on the image of the presiding deity from 9th to 14th day of இப்பசி (Ippasi-October-November) and again from the 1st to 7th day in மசி (Masi-February). The temple owns 7.26 acres of wet land, 1.00 acre dry land and 1.00 acre garden, which are normally leased out. Besides this, the temple has also inam lands. The annual income for fasli 1375 from the landed properties, Government dastic and other sources was estimated as Rs. 5,922. The management of the temple is vested in a Board of three trustees assisted by an Executive Officer. Two poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin. It is said that in 1920 (Tamil year of வெகுதனயம்) Brahmins congregated at this temple and performed yagam by sacrificing nearly 25 cattle. It appears that the local Agriculturists did not like it and so stopped visiting the temple. The annual car festival which used to be celebrated on a large scale in the month of தை (Thai-January-February) was stopped ten years back. Now-a-days, அன்னப்போசம் (Annabishegam-feeding) on the full moon day in the month of Iyppasi (இப்பசி October-November) seems to be the important occasion for which nearly 300 devotees are reported to congregate.

### 23. ATTUR

#### Kaya Nirmaleswaraswami temple :

Attur, known originally as Ananandhagiri, is situated on the banks of river Vasishta Nadhi. This town

is the headquarters of the taluk by the same name and is well connected by road and rail. It has a population of 29,018 with an area of 6.19 square miles. It is known for the old fort which has been declared as a protected monument. It is a square fort with old buildings, large granaries, an audience hall and an English grave-yard, the tomb stone ranging in dates between 1795-1819 A.D. The fort is supposed to have been built by Getti Mudaliar, with the money got in a treasure trove. It came into the hands of Chikkadeva Raya of Mysore, was part of Hyder Ali's dominion till 1768 and later passed on to the English who improved it in 1824. Very close and adjacent to the fort stands Kaya Nirmaleswaraswami temple. In the year 1913 five inscriptions (Nos. 403 to 407) were copied from this temple by the Government Epigraphist. These inscriptions relate to the periods commencing from 1509 A. D. during Vijayanagara king Krishnaraya (1509-30), Virapratapa Krishnaraya Maharaja (1528 A. D.), Chola king Parakesarivarman and others.

It is said that Vasishta Maharishi installed (five) pancha Lingas in Kongunadu. All the five places which were thus ordained as Pancha Boodha Kshetras lie on the banks of Vellar or Vasishta Nadhi. Prithvi Lingam is believed to be in Belur, Anpu Lingam in Ethapur, Theyu Lingam in Attur, Vayu Lingam in Aragalur and Akasa Lingam in Kogaiyur. In ancient times, the presiding deity of Theyu Lingam in Attur was known as Vasishteswarar. When the territory was ruled by a king known as Anandhan, the town and the presiding deity were named after him, the former as Anandhagiri and latter as Anandheswarar. When the territory came under Getti Mudaliar, the temple as well as the town seemed to be in ruined condition. It is believed that he had a dream of a treasure trove intended for the renovation of the temple and re-establishment of a fortified town. It is said that every thing went on as per the dream and the treasure was found near the Perumal temple. After that renovation the presiding deity is known as Kaya Nirmaleswarar and His consort as Akilandeswari. At present a renovation committee has been formed consisting of 41 members for renovation which is expected to cost nearly one lakh of rupees.

The temple occupies a space of about 200' x 120'. There is only one Prakaram. There is no gopuram. The images of both the presiding deity and His consort

are about 4 feet high. There are festival idols for Vinayagar, Subramaniam, Chandrasekarar, Pradhoshanayagar, Natarajar, Parasakthi etc., All of them are made of Pancha logam. Two poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin. The temple had an annual income of Rs. 2,624 in fasli 1,375 mainly by way of dastic allowance. It has also jewels worth Rs. 500/-. The temple has a car and four vahanams made about thirty years back. The temple is managed by a Board of three trustees:

### 71. THALAIVASAL

#### Ayyanar Temple

Thalaivasal, a place steeped in history is associated with Ekanabavanam, a chieftain who ruled over the region at a time when the Chera, Chola and Pandya Kings held sway in different parts of the land. Today the place is well known for its temple dedicated to Ayyanar, a village God. Every Monday, Tuesday and Friday, Potters from Aragalur, a nearby village known for its temple with a number of stone inscriptions, visit this temple and perform pooja. On other occasions, the temple has a deserted look. On festival occasions, Poojas are performed by Brahmin priests. No festival is performed at regular intervals like once in a year or two. Festivals are arranged only on special occasions after ascertaining the will of God. At times, even ten to fifteen years may lapse in between two festivals.

The temple faces west. Though very small, the temple is in good condition. By the side of Ayyanar temple is another temple dedicated to சப்த கன்னிகை (seven Goddesses). It is also kept in good condition. The horse models commonly found in Ayyanar temples are there in this temple, but they are in a dilapidated state. The temple has no fixed income or property.

### 73. ARAGALUR

#### Kamanatheeswarar Temple

Kamanatheeswarar temple at Aragalur is on the southern banks of Vasishta Nadhi or Vellar river. Structurally, this is one of the biggest temples of Salem District. This is also one of the five sacred places representing the five natural elements of Fire, Earth, Water, Air and Sky on the banks of Vellar river, which runs through Salem and Athur taluks of Salem district and which also serves as the border of Tiruchirappalli and South Arcot Districts. Aragalur is about 15 miles east of Athur, the taluk headquarters. Whether one proceeds by rail or road, he has to take a diversion from Thalaivasal on the State Highways, wherefrom buses are available every half an hour.

At the entrance, the temple has two gopurams, one for the presiding deity Kamanatheeswarar and the other for His consort Perianayagi, both of which are three tiered. They seem to follow the Pandyan style of architecture and are about 45' high. This appears to be the only temple of Salem and Dharmapuri districts where there is an idol for Lord Natarajar. The bronze image of Natarajar and Amman are fairly big and quite impressive. The temple occupies a space of nearly 1.65 acres with five prakarams. Two poojas are performed in a day by a Brahmin. The chief annual car festival is celebrated in the month of பங்குனி (Panguni-March-April) which is claimed to attract a crowd of nearly 10,000 persons. This temple is managed along with Varadharaja temple by a single trustee. In fasli 1375, both temples together had an annual income of Rs. 1,384 mainly from their landed property of nearly 8½ acres. A number of stone inscriptions could be found in both the temples.

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	10	Panaimadal (P)	Panaimadal	Kothandavar temple (O)	40	0.10	Sri Kothandavar	Ethapur Road Railway station 7 miles
2				Sri Elayaperumal temple (V)	...	0.08	Sri Elayaperumal	
3	13	Kottavadi (P)	Kothavadi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Valappadi Railway station 2 miles
4				Sri Selliamman temple (F)			Sri Selliamman	
5	17	Ethapur (P)	Ethapur	Sri Sambamoortheswarar temple (S)	400	1.00	Sri Sambamurtheeswarar	Ethapur Road Railway station 1 mile
6	..	do	do	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	300	0.20	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Ethapur Road Railway station 1½ miles
7				Sri Pudumariamman temple (F)	150	0.30	Sri Pudumariamman	do
8				Sri Periamariamman temple (F)		0.35	Sri Periamariamman	
9	..	do	do	Sri Pettai Mariamman temple (F)	400	0.20	Sri Mariamman	do
10	..	do	do	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	200	0.10	Sri Kamakshiamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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250	...	...	...	6'00	...	1,500	Car	...	No	...	No
1,489	...	1'00	...	..	...	400	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival	...	No
5,922	7'26	1'00	...	...	...	150	Car Horse Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Masi Maham Sivarathri Panguni Uthiram	...	No
483	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Once a week by a Chettiar	Sri Rama Navami Navarathri Gokulashtami	...	No
263	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car Chapparam	...	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
250	...	...	...	Trees	...	650	Vimanam	Once a week by a hereditary Priest	Mariamman Festival	...	No
344	...	1'00	...	Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Achari	Navarathri	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
11	17	Ethapur (P)	Ethapur	Sri Subramaniaswami temple (M)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Subramaniaswami	Ethapur Railway station 1½ miles
12	18	Peddanaickenpalayam	Peddanaickenpalayam	Sri Atakondeeswarar temple (S)	40	0.75	Sri Atkondeeswarar	Peddanaickenpalayam Railway station ½ mile
13	„	do	do	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami temple (V)	200	2.00	Sri Lakshminarasimhaswami	Peddanaicken Palayam Railway station ½ mile
14	„	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayana Perumal temple (V)	200	2.00	Sri Lakshminarayanawem	
15	23	Attur (P)	Attur	Sri Kayanirmala Eswaran temple (S)	450	0.03	Sri Kayanirmalaeswaran	Attur Railway station ¾ mile
16	„	do	do	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	27	Not stated	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Attur Railway station 1 mile
17	„	do	do	Sri Melakkara Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.30	Sri Vinayagar	Attur Railway station
18	„	do	do	Sri Vellai Pillayar temple (G)	200	1.00	Sri Pillayar	do
19	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	1.00	Sri Mariamman	do



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Movable property						Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy		
	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Value of Jewellery Rs.				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist	
	Wet		Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					Vahanam
	Dry										
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,500	Extent not stated		...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
1,419	1-00	12-00	...	...	...	2	Horse Bandicoot	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
400	2-50	4-00	...	...	...	...	..	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri	...	No
2,624	Extent not stated		...	...	...	500	Car Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Archagar	Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai Navarathri	403 to 407 of 1913	...
6,118	...	...	...	Houses	6,094	...	Horse Chapparam	Twice a day by an Archagar	Annual Festival in Panguni Navarathri	...	No
1,153	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vinayaga Chathurthi Sri Rama Navami	...	No
2,111	1-50	...	...	Shops	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
2,031	7-00	3-00	...	Houses	...	1,200	Car Lion Horse	Once a day by a Padayachi	Mariamman Festival	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
20	23	Attur (P)	Attur	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not stated	0.15	Sri Angalamman	Attur Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
21	"	Atturam (Pudupattur)	do	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (F)	200	0.25	Sri Kamakshiamman	Attur Railway station 1 mile
22	24	Kalianatham	Kallanatham	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	300	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	Attur Railway station 3 miles
23				Sri Karuppanathar temple (O)	300	Not stated	Sri Karuppanathar	
24				Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	...	0.02	Sri Pidariamman	
25	27	Kattukottai (P)	Kattukottai	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	Below 0.05	Sri Mariamman	Kattukottai Railway station 1 mile
26	31	Unathur (P)	Unathur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.03	Sri Mariamman	Talaivasal Railway station 7 miles
27				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.07	Sri Vinayagar	
28	31	Unathur (P)	Unathur	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	300	0.30	Sri Mariamman	Talaivasal Railway station $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles
29	"	do	do	Sri Kamba Perumal temple (V)	300	0.50	Sri Kamba Perumal	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
1,667	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
420	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	Rishabam	Once a week by a Goldsmith	No	...	No
	0.35	8.08	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Priest	Car Festival	...	No
348	...	...	...	...	...	100	Car	...		...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	No
250	...	...	...	0.50	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Padayachi	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	Yes
338	Extent not stated			...	...	75	Swan Bandicoot	Thrice a week by a hereditary Poosari	Pongal Festival Vinayaga Chathurthi	...	No
250	...	...	...	6.00	...	150	Car Ratham	Once a week by a hereditary Vanniar	No	...	No
400	...	...	...	10.00	...	500	Garudan	Twice a week by a Gurukkal	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
30	35	Pattuthurai (P)	Pattuthurai	Sri Pidari Selliamman temple (F)		0.40	Sri Selliamman	Talaivasal Railway station 1 mile
31	.			Sri Ayyanar temple (O)	60	0.10	Sri Ayyanar	
32				Sri Andipatti Mariamman temple (F)		0.10	Sri Mariamman	
33				Sri Karuppannar temple (O)		0.20	Sri Karuppannar	
34	..	do	do	Sri Pillayar temple (G)		0.20	Sri Vinayagar	do
35				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	60	0.40	Sri Mariamman	
36				Sri Kamba Perumal temple (V)		0.80	Sri Kamba Perumal	
37	38	Sarvoi (P)	Sarvoi	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	150	Not stated	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Sarvoy Railway station 1 mile
38	42	Narasingapuram (P)	Narasingapuram	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	100	Not stated	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Attur Railway station 1 1/4 miles
39	66	Sathapadi (P)	Sathapadi	Sri Chidambareswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.06	Sri Chidambareswarar	Sarvoy Railway station 5 miles
40	71	Thalaivasal	Thalaivasal	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	200	0.01	Sri Kailasanathar	Talaivasal Railway station 1 mile

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

...	4:00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Mooppar	No	...	No
2,000	...	1:00	...	...	...	...	Horse	No	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Brahmin	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	No	...	No
200	...	3:00	...	...	...	...	Bandicoot	} Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	} Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	} ...	} No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Horse				
300	0:32	15:50	...	...	...	...	...				
952	7:00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,109	4:00	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
305	20:00	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Priest	Arudhra Dharisanam Karthigai Deepam	...	No
636	3:02	12:50	...	...	...	...	Horse Swan Peacock	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
41	72	Periyeri (P)	Periyeri	Sri Madanagopala-swami temple (V)	65	0.02	Sri Madanagopala-swami	Talaivasal Railway station
42	..	do	Aragalur (Periyeri)	Sri Thanthoneeswarar temple (S)	200	0.01	Sri Thanthoneeswarar	do
43	73	Aragalur (P)	Aragalur	Sri Kamanatheeswarar temple (S)	1000	1.64	Sri Kamanatheeswarar	Talaivasal Railway station 5 miles
44				Sri Varadarajar temple (V)		0.65	Sri Varadarajar	
45	..	do	Chitteri	Sri Chidambareswarar temple (S)	500	0.15	Sri Chidambareswarar	Talaivasal Railway station 6 miles
46				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
47	..	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	500	0.14	Sri Varadaraja-Perumal	do
48	77	Punavasal (P)	Punavasal	Sri Thanthoneeswarar temple (S)	100	0.06	Sri Thanthoneeswarar	Sarvay Railway station 5 miles
49	..	do	do	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	120	0.05	Sri Varadarajar	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
453	6.75	...	...	...	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
223	7.72	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,384	1.70	5.67	...	...	...	500	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Car Festival in Panguni	408 to 444 of 1913 445 to 453 of 1913	...
756	4.22	4.64	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No
300	0.52	4.71	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Krishna Jayanthi Navarathri	...	No
320	5.95	17.75	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Thiruvathirai	...	No
320	2.25	3.50	...	...	...	...	Garudan Horse	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi Sri Rama Navami Sri Krishna Jayanthi	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
50	78	Naduvalur (P)	Naduvalur	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	200	1.00	Sri Kailasanathar	Attur Railway station 6 miles
51	"	do	do	Sri Arungathamman temple (F)	150	0.04	Sri Arungathamman	do
52				Sri Durgaiamman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Durgaiamman	
53	79	Pungavadi (P)	Pungavadi	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.03	Sri Vinayagar	Attur Railway station 7 miles
54				Sri Pidariamman temple (F)		0.01	Sri Pidariamman	
55	80	Kadambur (P)	Kadambur	Sri Kadambaiaimman temple (F)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Kadambaiaimman	Kadambur Railway station 12 miles
56				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	0.04	Sri Vinayagar	
57	"	do	do	Sri Subramaniam temple (M)	150	0.04	Sri Subramaniam	do
58				Sri Elaya Varadarajar		0.40	Sri Varadarajar	



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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

376	...	...	...	1.00	...	100	Peacock Bandicoot	Once a day by a Gurukul	No	...	No
357	...	...	...	4.00	...	1,000	Lion Swan Bootham Horse Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Vanniar	Amman Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
	1.00	5.00	...	...	...	1,000	Car Lion Swan Bootham	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
300	...	1.88	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival once in two years	...	No
	2.30	6.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,321	...	...	...	3.80	...	...	Car Horse	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival	...	No
	0.16	3.80	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Festival in Panguni Uthiram	...	No

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Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
59	87	Keeripatti (P)	Keeripatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	Attur Railway station 11 miles
60				Sri Eliyamman temple (F)	150	Not stated	Sri Eliamman	
61				Sri Selliamman temple (F)			Sri Selliamman	
62	88	Ulipuram (P)	Ulipuram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.25	Sri Mariamman	Attur Railway station 20 miles
63	89	Nagiampatti	Nagiampatti	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	48	0.10	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Attur Railway station 18 miles
64	90	Kodayampatti (P)	Kodayampatti	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	do
65				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	0.25	Sri Mariamman	
66				Sri Selliamman temple (F)			Sri Selliamman	
67	91	Gandamalai	Kundamalai	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	100	0.10	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Attur Railway station
68	„	do	do	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	100	0.0	Sri Angalamman	Attur Railway station 14 miles

## TALUK (Contd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

1,211	0.35	10.49	...	...	...	43	Car Ratham	Once a week by a Poosari	Maya Sawuthi	...	No
30	1.25	...	...	...	...	...	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
300	..	1.00	...	...	...	...	.	Once a day by a Trustee	No	...	No
867	5.32	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
350	...	4.12	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhatta- chariar	No	...	No
200	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
69	91	Gandamalai	Kundamalai	Sri Uppathaswami temple (O)	55	0.30	Sri Uppathur-swami	Attur Railway station 14 miles
70	92	Krishnapuram (P)	udupatti	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	30	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Vadipadi Railway station 1 mile
71	93	Gangavalli (P)	Gangavalli	Sri Kailasanathar temple (S)	100	Below 0.10	Sri Kailasanathar	Attur Railway Station 8 miles
72	94	Anayampatti (P)	Anayampatti	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	100	Below 0.08	Sri Ekambareswarar	Not Stated
73	95	Thedavur (P)	Thidavur	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	200	0.20	Sri Ekambareswarar	Attur Railway station 12 miles
74				Sri Venugopala-krishnaswami temple (V)		0.21	Sri Venugopala Krishnaswami	
75	96	Veeraganur	Vecraganur	Sri Ganga Sundareswarar temple (S)	400	0.50	Sri Sundareswarar	Thalavasal Railway station 8 miles
76				Sri Gaja Varadarajar		0.75	Sri Varadarajar	

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## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
200	1.68	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a ...	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
250	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	No	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
1,749	3.00	4.56	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
1,368	...	20.75	...	...	...	85	...	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Navarathri	...	Yes
3,751	7.55	21.83	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	456 to 464 of 1913	...
1,412	2.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhatta-chariar	No	...	No
							100	Rishabam Peacock Bandicoot Car	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Arudhra Dharisanam Sivarathri	No
							1,000	Swan Garudan Horse Elephant Palanquin Car Ratham	Twice a day by a hereditary Battachariar	No	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples under the Hindu Religious								
77	99	Govindam-palayam (P)	Govinda-palayam (Pallipalayam)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	75	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Thalaivasal Railway station 8 miles
78				Sri Karuppannar temple (O)		0.01	Sri Karuppannar	
79	..	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	do
80	..	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayana-swami temple (V)	...	0.50	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	do
81				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.04	Sri Mariamman	
82				Sri Dharmarajar temple (O)	...	0.02	Sri Dharmarajar	
83	103	Laddivadi (P)	Laddivadi	Sri Sembiamman temple (F)	200	0.40	Sri Sembiamman	Talaivasal Railway station 12 miles
84	108	Thammampatti (P)	Thammampatti	Sri Kadalai Narasimhaswami temple (S)	300	1.50	Sri Narasimhaswami	Attur Railway station 18 miles
85	..	do	do	Sri Siva Subramania-swami temple (M)	150	Not stated	Sri Subramania-swami	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

	0.31	...	...	...	}	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
997	0.53	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
	0.33	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
310	0.91	8.87	...	...	...	...	Horse	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	...	No
	0.07	0.72	...	...	...	...	Lion	Once a day by a Naicker	No	...	...	No
945	0.44	...	...	...	...	...	Elephant	No	No	...	...	No
286	4.16	11.10	...	...	...	3,285	Car	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	...	No
547	Extent not stated				...	...	Car Palanquin	Twice a day by a Bhatta-chariar	Car Festival in Chithirai	1 to 4 of 1931	...	...
667	Extent not stated				...	...	Horse Peacock	Once a day by a Pandaram	Panguni Uthiram Navarathri	...	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	17	Ethapur (P)	Ethapur	Sri Lakshmigopala Perumal temple (V)	400	0.50	Sri Lakshmigopala Perumal	Ethapur Railway station 1½ miles
2	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	400	0.25	Sri Mariamman	do
3	20	do	Kalpalayam	Sri Venkatesa Perumal temple (S)	200	0.02	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Kalpalayam Railway station 1 mile
4	73	do	Aragalur	Sri Choleeswarar temple (S)	200	0.50	Sri Choleeswarar	Thalaiwasal Railway station 4 miles
5	80	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	90	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Kadambur Railway station 12 miles
6	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	Attur Railway station 12 miles
7	92	Krishnapuram (P)	Krishnapuram	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	Attur Railway station 10 miles
	108	do	Thammampatti	Sri Kannikaparameswari temple (F)	30	0.15	Sri Kannikaparameswari	Attur Railway station 18 miles
	„	do	Mathur	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	100	0.10	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Vazhapadi Railway station 5 furlongs



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

800	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car Ratham Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Brahmotsavam in Thai month	...	No
200	...	...	...	Vaganara trees-70	...	3000	...	Only on impor- tant days by a Sembadavar	Mariamman Festival in Adi	...	Yes
...	1.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	...	...	No
...	1.76	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
220	...	...	...	4.00	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
Extent not stated	...	...	...	...	...	25	Car	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Adi	...	No
1,200	...	...	...	...	...	...	Horse Bandicoot Chapparam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Navarathri Sri Rama Navami	...	No

## NAMAKKAL TALUK

### 31, VALAPPURNADU

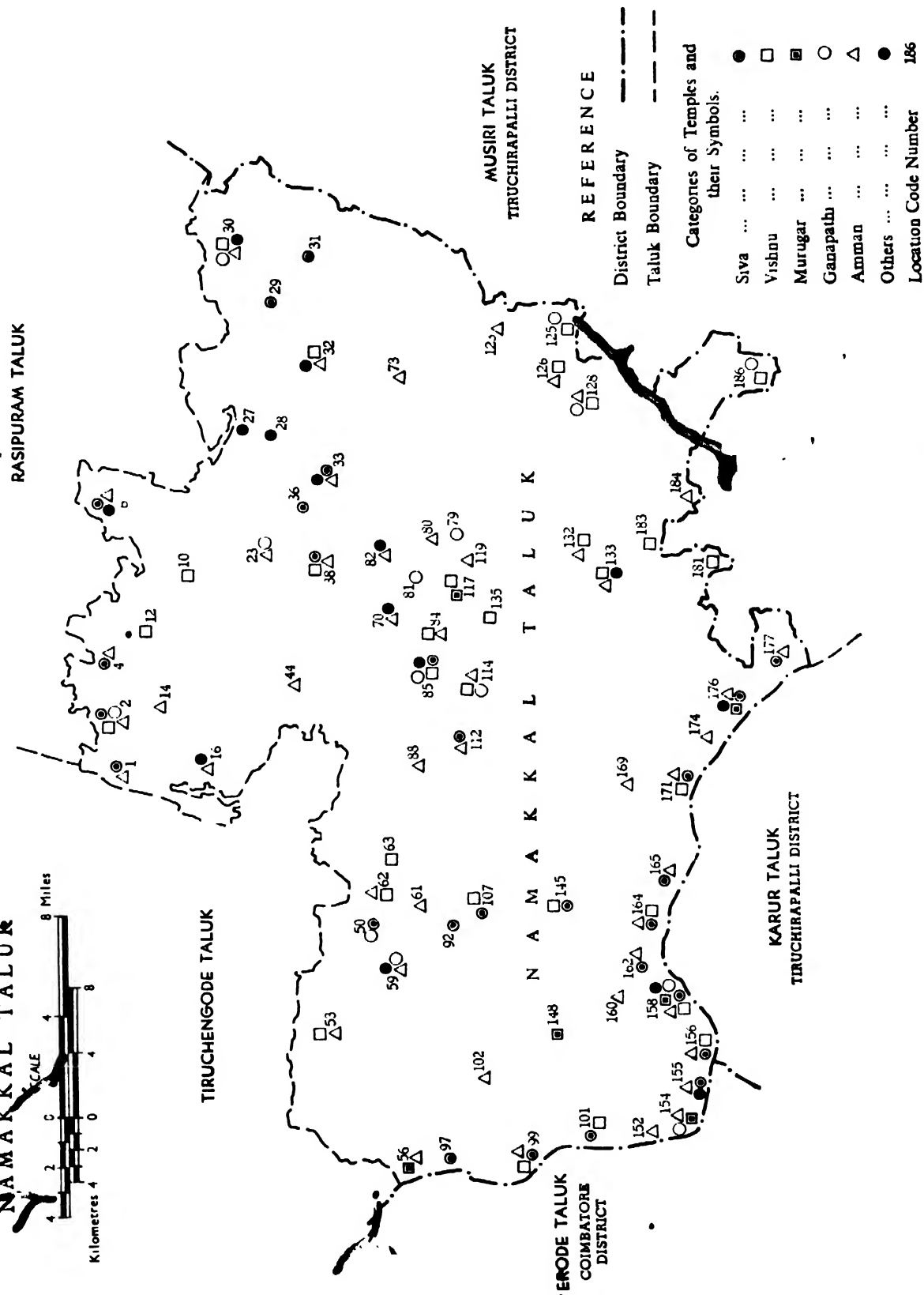
#### Arappaliswarar temple of Kollimalai

The charm of Salem district depends on its hills. 'Kollimalai' is a part of it and forms the south-eastern portion of the district. It serves as a dividing line between Tiruppur and Salem districts. It contains peaks of over 4,000 feet and is situated partly in Namakkal and partly in Rasipuram taluks. Kolli Malayalees, a distinct endogamous sect of the Scheduled tribe Malayalees, form the bulk of inhabitants of Kollimalai. They are believed to be originally cultivators of Kancheepuram and migrated to this place some centuries back. Well laid road, a source of modern communication was lacking for a very long time in Kollimalai. The only ghat road, which has recently been laid begins at about the 15th mile north-east of Namakkal. The tarred ghat road terminates at Solakkadu and is connected by bus. It is about 30 miles away from Namakkal. At about the 7th mile from that point stands the famous Siva temple called Arappaliswarar Kovil. It could also be reached from Puliamchola Kombai of Musiri Taluk in Tiruchirapalli district.

The temple is no doubt a very ancient one as Appar referred to it in one of his hymns (கோத்திரக் கோவைத் திருத்தாண்டகம் 1). There are also two Thiruppugazh about it by Manickavasagar. The temple faces east with a single prakaram. There are three sanctum sanctorums, one for Lingam of the presiding deity known as Arappaliswarar or Dharmakoseeswarar, one for His consort Dharmakoseeswari and the third one for Lord Subramanya. There is no gopuram but a single Vimanam for the presiding deity following the Chola style of architecture. There are about thirty pieces of bronze images of good workmanship. Some associate the temple with Ori, one of the seven royal philanthropists noted for his heroism and generosity. There are others who associate it with Nacha Muni, a Siddha with Ori.

Arappaliswarar temple is 4,663 feet above sea level on the Kollimalai. It occupies a space of 300' × 200'. It is regarded with very great reverence, not only by the hill men of this range, but also by the Malaiyalis of the Pachaimalais and of the Kalroyan Hills as by the Hindus of the plains. Two poojas are performed daily. However, daily poojas do not attract more devotees as is the case with most of Salem temples. A festival lasting three days, from the 15th to the 18th day of Adi (ஆடி) July-August, is held there every year and to this great number of pilgrims, say about 10,000, throng to perform their vows. The priests in the temple are Brahmins, but the water for the God's bath is fetched not by Brahmins, but by Malaiyalis. The temple had a fine car. It is said that it was used only once. The natives declare that it ought not to be used without first offering a human sacrifice. At present there is no car, but some of the wooden images of the old car are kept in the temple. The stream near the temple contains thousands of fish which are considered holy and under the protection of God and are fed by pilgrims to the shrine. "அறுத்த மீனைப் பொறுத்த வைக்கும் அற்புதாளிஸ்வரர்" is a Tamil saying which means that Arappaliswarar is capable of uniting fishes cut and severed. A common vow made by devotees is an undertaking to provide a gold nose-ring for one of the fishes if their prayers are answered. The fishes are extremely tame, and will come and take food from one's hand. The natives declare that near this temple lizards do not chirp nor *talai* plants flower. The hill on which the temple stands is called the Kollimalai proper and the name is supposed to be derived from the fact that any one who commits a sin there will be killed. It is also called the "madhu vanam" (honey forest) of the Monks King Sugriva. Two miles below the temple is a fine waterfall, called *Akal* Gangai (the sky ganges) in which almost all pilgrims take bath. The Malaiyalis believe that if a woman bathes there, the water turns aside and declines to fall upon him. There are some inscriptions in the temple. The temple is managed by a Board of five trustees.

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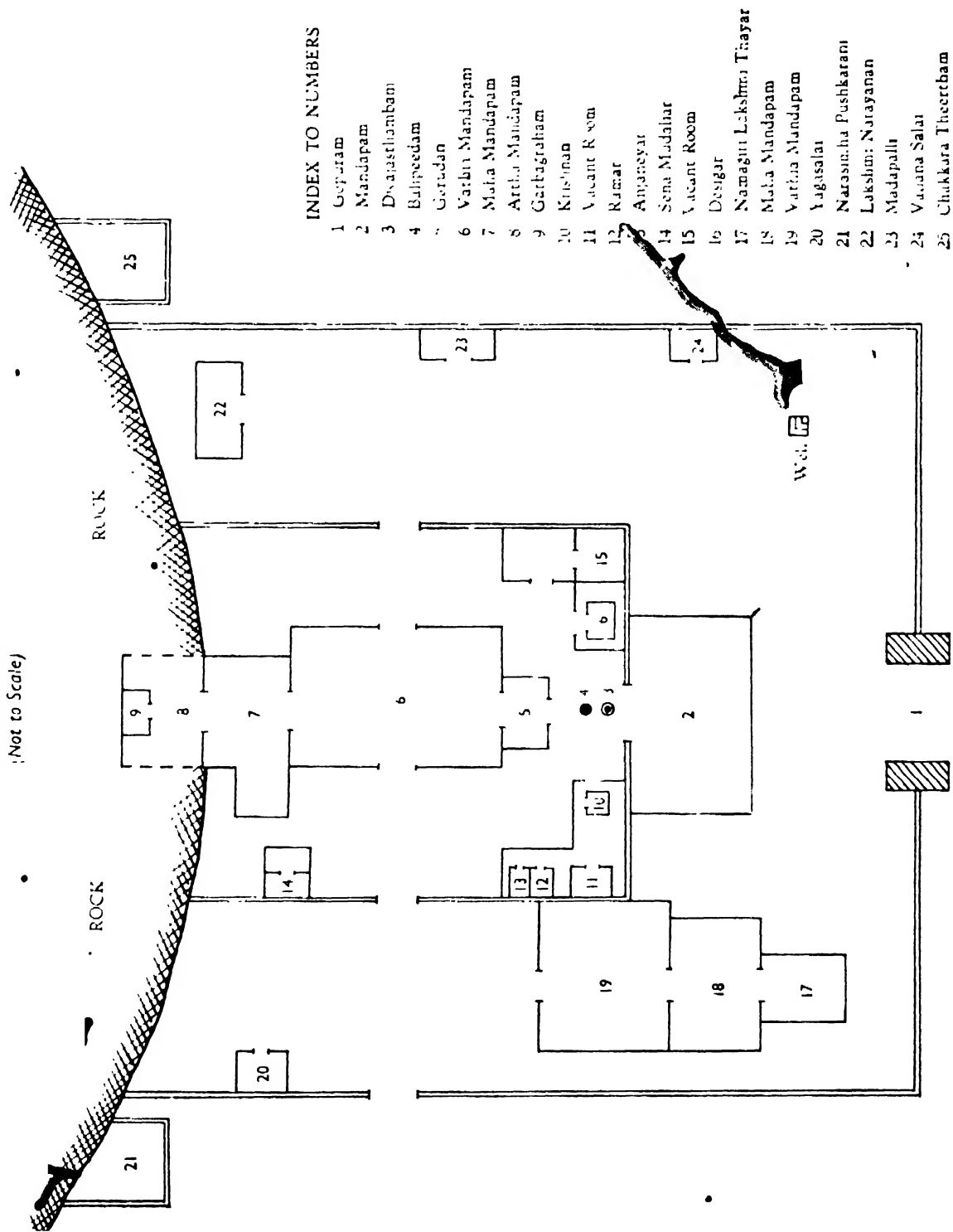
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# SRI NARASIMHASWAMY TEMPLE

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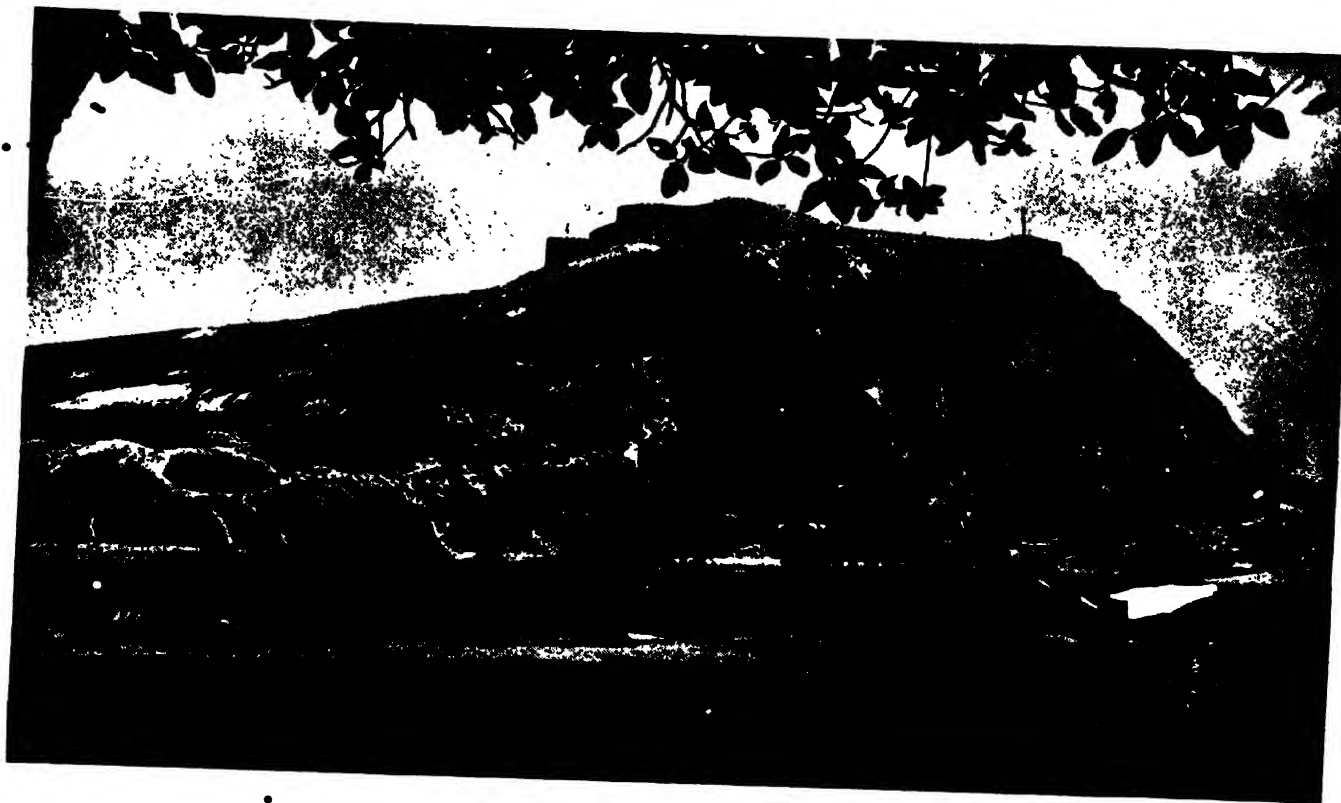
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Sri Narasimhaswami Hill Temple, Namakkal.



Entrance to the Narasimhaswami Temple.



Images of Narasimhaswami in the temple.





The statue of Sri Hanuman.



Narasimhavatharam a sculpture in the temple.



• Sun, Moon, Brahma and Mahesa worshipping Lord Narasimha a sculpture in the temple.



Varahavatara — a sculpture in the temple.



A sculpture of Mahavishnu in the temple.



## 85. NAMAKKAL

## Sri Narasimhaswami etc., temples :

Namakkal is one of the very few places in Salem district which has protected monuments. The town is known for a hillock with two interesting monolithic cave temples peculiar to the Pallavas, a colossal statue for Hanuman and a hill fort. The sculptural representations of both the cave temples are quite as good as, if not better than those at Mahabalipuram. There are also inscriptions relating to Jatavarman Sundara Pandya, Lakshmikantha Arasa, later Pandyas and Hindu Rajas of Mysore.

Namakkal is held in much honour by the Vaishnavites. The town has grown at the foot of a hillock some 200 feet in height and about half a mile in circumference. It is a taluk headquarters but not connected by railways. However, it is well connected by road and can be reached very easily from any direction. It lies exactly at the thirtyfirst mile south of Salem town.

The first cave temple dedicated to Narasimha and His consort Namagiriamman is on the western side and at the base of the hillock. Narasimha is the man-lion incarnation of Lord Vishnu. The image of the presiding deity is in sitting posture and faces west. There are also images for Thiruvikramar, Varahar, Vannar Anandha Naranar, etc., all of which are big in size and impressive. The second cave temple is on the eastern slope. The shrine contains a raised platform cut into three tiers with a hall and a small veranda. The presiding deity Sri Ranganathar is in the lying posture, while Brahma is seated on a lotus that emerges from the navel of the deity. The Lord is believed to be lying under the outstretched hoods of the great snake-god Karkotaka. The south wall has a relief of Thiruvikrama while the north contains Sankaranarayana. Besides these two cave temples, there is also a third small Vishnu temple inside the fort enclosing an area of about one and half acres at the top of the hillock. Traditionally, the erection of the fort is attributed to Ramachandra Nayaka, a poligar of Sendamangalam or to Lakshmi Narasimmayya, an attendant of Mysore king. Probably the temple was built in the early Chola and later Pandya times, but the fort would have been built round about 1700. It was captured by the British in 1768, who lost it in the same year to Hyder Ali. The English garrisoned it in 1794. The hill fort and

Varadharaja Perumal temple therein are accessible most easily on the south-west. They are also accessible on the north, but is somewhat difficult.

On the south-east side of the hillock, there is a tank called காமலாலயம் (Kamalalayam—home of Lotus) with a mantapam at the centre. This tank is the source of drinking water supply for the town and is sacred to Namagiriamman, the consort of Lord Vishnu in His incarnation of Narasimhan. According to a legend, Hanuman was carrying Sanjivi hills to Lanka to revive Lakshmana who was struck down senseless in the battle with Ravana. On his way, he alighted at the banks of Gangeki river and collected Saligram, the sacred stone from the river bed. It was nothing but Lord Narasimhan, who assumed this form after the destruction of Hiranya. He wished of Prahalathan. His consort Namagiriamman was then doing penance near the tank Kamalalayam. On seeing water in the tank, Hanuman kept the Saligram aside and began to quench his thirst, but could not take it again, which, by then, converted itself as the existing sacred hillock at Namakkal. Hanuman realised the presence of Lord Vishnu and His consort in the form of Narasimhan and Namagiriamman and worshipped them. To commemorate this incident, a colossal statue of Hanuman about 18 feet high was established which represents him as worshipping towards Narasimhaswami temple. His eyes are believed to rest on the feet of Narasimhaswami, for whom three poojas are performed in a day by a hereditary Brahmin priest. The temple had an annual income of Rs. 13,600 for fasli 1375. The Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment (Administration) Department has estimated the value of the jewellery as Rs. 1,34,415.

Nine vahanams, five cars and a palanquin are attached to the temple. The chief annual car festival is celebrated in the month of பங்குனி (Panguni)—March-April, which is attended by about 10,000 devotees. A Board of five trustees and an Executive Officer manage the temple affairs.

## 148. KABILARMALAI

## Sri Balasubramaniaswami Temple

At the 11th mile South-west of Namakkal on the National highways towards Karur, a road branches

towards west. At the 5th mile on this branch road lies Kavilarmalai. It could be reached by bus very easily from Namakkal. It could also be reached by covering a distance of five miles towards east after getting down from the train either at Kolanalli or Urjalur Railway Station of Coimbatore District on the Erode—Tiruchirapalli section of the Southern Railways. Here lies a hillock which is known for Sri Balasubramaniam temple. There is also a temple for Vinayagar and a rock where Kabilar is believed to have lived, meditated and installed the image of the presiding deity. Kabilar was renowned literate who was patronised by the great King Pari. In view of the proximity of Kabilarimalai to Kollimalai, Pirammalai and other places connected with the above account, it can reasonably be assumed that there may be some truth in the local belief that Kabilar, lived and meditated in the hillock and installed the presiding deity. The greatness of Kabilar is also testified by ancient Tamil verses in praise of him composed by leading poets (சங்கப் புலவர்கள்) like Nakkirar (in Ahananuru 78), Porundhivilangirar (in Purananuru 53), Nappasalaiyar (in Purananuru 126) etc.

Kabilar is supposed to have sat on a vertical rock of Kabilarimalai and meditated. A spear has now been installed over that rock. At the top of the hillock, there is a small temple for Vinayagar. A flight of 130 steps leads to Balasubramaniamswami temple at the middle of the hillock. The temple has no gopuram. It can be called a cave temple as the image of the presiding deity, believed to have been installed by Kabilar is inside a cave. Festival deity has Valli and Deivayanai as His consorts, but there is no image for them in the sanctum sanctorum. Cobblers are prohibited to enter the temple but they have more faith in the temple and visit it in large numbers. They worship standing by the side of the flag mast and leave big chappals as their offerings to God. Two poojas are performed every day by a Brahmin priest. The chief annual festival is celebrated in January—February (Thai). About 10,000 persons attend this festival. Formerly the temple was managed by Mittadhars and Zamindhar. At present, the temple is under the management of a Board of three trustees. The temple has jewellery worth of about Rs. 2,000/-.

Its annual income in fasli 1375 was estimated at Rs. 2,338.

## 176. MOHANUR

### Achchaladheepeswarar Temple

Mohanur is on the banks of the Cauvery river and forms the southern-most part of Salem district. It is eleven miles south of Namakkal, the taluk headquarters and seven miles from the nearest railway station Karur of Tiruchirapalli district. It is well connected by bus service from all sides. There are four temples in this place, one dedicated to Bala Subramaniam, another to Karuppannaswami and Kalliamman, the third one to Achchaladheepeswarar and the fourth one to Vanniakula Drowpathiamman.

The name of the place is supposed to be a corruption of மகன் ஊர் (Mahanur) or the son's place. It is said that Lord Siva and His consort searched for Their son Subramanya and found this to be the son's place. It is also said that as soon as the mother found the son, She was overjoyed so much that instinctively milk flowed from Her breast. Even to-day, a stream of water flows underground from a spring inside the sanctum sanctorum of the Amman in Achchaladheepeswarar temple and is supposed to symbolise the milk that emanated. The temple has a single prakaram with no gopuram at the entrance. Vimanams seem to follow the Chola style of architecture. The temple lies on the banks of the river Cauvery and has a bathing ghat. The image of the presiding deity is a Swayambu Lingam. The light in front of the presiding deity never flickers and hence He is known by the name அச்சலதீபேஸ்வரர் (Achchaladheepeswarar or God of the unmoving light). His consort is known as Madhukaraveni (மதுகரவேணி). The presiding deity faces west towards the river while the shrine of His consort is on the north and faces east. The image of Amman is about six feet in height and impressive. There is a separate sanctum for Lord Muruga in between those of the presiding deity and His consort. The temple occupies a space of



nearly one acre. It is managed by a Board of two trustees. In fasli 1375, the temple had an annual income of Rs. 4,059 mainly from the  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of coconut grove and dastic allowance. Two poojas are performed in a day, but very few devotees visit the temple. Formerly the annual festival was celebrated during Visakam in the month of வைகாசி (Vaikasi)

May-June. Large number of devotees, who attend the festival of Navaladi—Karuppannaswami (He that sits at the foot of Naval tree) and Kaliamma in the months of சித்திரை (Chithirai—April-May) and தை (Thai—January-February) visit Achchaladheepeswar temple as well.

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	1	Sircar Natta-mangalam (P)	Sircar Natta-mangalam	Sri Nageswaraswami temple (S)	100	0.30	Sri Nageswaraswami	Salem Town Railway station 25 miles
2			connected with	Sri Morandiamman temple (F)		0.03	Sri Morandiamman	
3	2	Kalyani (P)	Kalyani	Sri Kariaperumal temple (V)	50	0.75	Sri Kariaperumal	Salem Town Railway station 24 miles
4	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	40	0.02	Sri Mariamman	do
5	..	do	do	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	150	Below 0.03	Sri Pongaliamman	Salem Junction Railway station 24 miles
..	..	do	do	Sri Ekambareswarar temple (S)	150	0.75	Sri Ekambareswarar	do
..	..	do	do	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	250	0.20	Sri Vinayagar	do
..	..	do	Puliampatti	Sri Selva Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.15	Sri Selva Vinayagar	do
..	..	do		Sri Venkatachalapathi temple (V)			Sri Venkatachalapathi	

## TALUK

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

1,317	...	19.78	...	...	...	...	Elephant Rishabam Lion	Twice a week by a Gurukkal	Sivarathri Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
929	...	6.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
331	...	3.72	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Festival in Panguni	...	No
1,249	...	4.92	...	...	...	50	...	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Festival in Panguni	...	No
840	...	8.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
	...	4.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
255	...	4.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Brahmin	Karthigai Deepam	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
10	4	Pachal (P)	Pachal	Sri Jayam Kondanatheswarar temple (S)	200	0.27	Sri Jayamkondanatheswarar	Salem Town Railway station 18 miles
11				Sri Mariamman temple (F)	...	...	Sri Mariamman	
12		do	do	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.28	Sri Sellandiamman	Salem Town Railway station 19 miles
13	6	Kalkurichi (P)	Kalkurichi	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	500	0.15	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 26 miles
14		do	Kalkurichi Vellalapatti	Sri Thirumalanarayanawami temple (V)	150	0.10	Sri Thirumalai Narayanawami	Salem Town Railway station 25 miles
15		do	do	Sri Karpuranathaswami temple (S)	100	0.15	Sri Karpuranathaswami	Salem Town Railway station
16	10	Thirumalai-patti (P)	Thirumalai-patti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	350	Below 0.01	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 27 miles
17	12	Kannurpatti (P)	Kannurpatti	Sri Venkatachalapathi temple (V)	150	0.04	Sri Venkatachalapathi	Salem Town Railway station 23 miles
18	14	Navani (Thottikurpatti) (P)	Navam	Sri Elavandiamman temple (F)	300	Below 0.01	Sri Elavandiamman	Salem Town Railway station
19				Sri Athanooramman temple (F)			Sri Athanooramman	

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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

950	...	17.31	...	...	...	64	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No
700	...	4.66	...	...	...	6,400	Lion	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
200	0.80	9.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Naidu	Thaipoozam	...	No
473	3.00	5.00	...	...	...	6	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Thaipoozam	...	No
1,001	...	8.29	...	...	...	9	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
250	0.96	0.24	...	...	...	...	...	...	No	...	No
310	Extent not stated				...	...	...	Twice a week by a Pandaram	No	...	No

## NAMAKKAL

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
20	16	Elur (P)	Elur	Sri Desiga Nayanar temple (O)	300	0.05	Sri Desiganayanar	Salem Town Railway station 25 miles
21	..	do	do	Sri Ponniamman temple (F)	250	Below 0.04	Sri Ponniamman	do
22	23	Thuthikulam (P)	Thuthikulam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	350	0.40	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 28 miles
23				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	150	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	
24	27	Naducombai (N.P.)	Anamkombai (Malayappan-kottai)	Sri Nachimar temple (O)	Not known	0.15	Sri Nachimar	do
25	..	do	Nadukombai (Kalappanai-ckenpatti)	Sri Nachimar temple (O)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Nachimar	Salem Town Railway station 33 miles
26	28	Valavandicom-bai (N.P.)	Karavelikombai (Kalappanai-ckenpatti)	Sri Nachimar temple (O)	Not known	0.50	Sri Nachimar	Salem Town Railway station 45 miles
27	..	do	Thattankombai (Kalappanai-ckenpatti)	Sri Nachimar temple (O)	600	...	Sri Nachimar	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festival's	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
	...	...	...	...	...	72.50	Horse	Twice a day by an Archagar	Navarathri	...	No
1,432	0.30	...	...	...	...	282	Car Horse Chapparam	Twice a day by a Pandaram	Ar Festival in Avan	...	No
500	3.00	4.00	...	...	...	1,429	Car	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Vaikasi	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	...	...	No
635	...	8.00	...	...	...	500	...	Once a year (on festival day) by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
836	...	8.32	...	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a Kolli Malayali	Nachimar Festival in May	...	No
400	2.96	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
236	...	7.33	...	...	...	700	...	Once a year by a hereditary Kolli Malayali	Nachimar Festival in May	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religions</b>								
28	29	Ariyurnadu (N.P)	Melkolingampatti	Sri Eswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.10	Sri Solamudayar Eswarar	Salem Town Railway station 38 miles
29	30	Gundurnadu (N.P)	aduvaradu (Vadavaithinadu)	Sri Arangathappan temple (O)	300	0.05	Sri Arangathappan	Attur Railway station 35 miles
30	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	} Attur Railway station 35 miles
31				Sri Vinayagar temple (G)			Sri Vinayagar	
32				Sri Chinna Dharmarajar temple (V)	250	0.02	Sri Chinna Dharmarajar	
33				Sri Pidariamman temple (F)			Sri Pidariamman	
34				Sri Irusikaruppu temple (O)			Sri Irusikaruppan	
35	31	Valappurnadu (N.P.)	Kolli hills	Sri Arappalleeswarar temple (S)	1500	1.37	Sri Arappalleeswarar	Salem Town Railway station 35 miles
36	32	Valavandinadu (N.P)	Karikattupatti	Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	200	1.50	Sri Kaliyamman	} do
37				Sri Perumalswami temple (V)		1.50	Sri Perumalswami	



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Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

342	6.82	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	Festival in Adi	...	No
...	...	...	...	12.00	...	200	Car Horse	...	Festival	...	No
300	...	...	...	...	...	100	Chapparam	...	No	...	Yes
2,485	...	...	...	250.00	...	1,500	Palanquin Horse Peacock	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	489-508 of 1930	...
585	7.25	...	...	...	...	500	...	Once a week by a hereditary Trustee	Annual Festival in Chithira	...	Yes

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
38	32	Valawandinadu (N.P.)	Naduvelampatti	Sri Pookulamswami temple (O)	100	0.02	Sri Pookulamswami	Pugalur Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
39	..	do	S. Jaikattupatti	Sri Perumalswami temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Perumalswami	Pugalur Railway station $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
40	33	Pallaperai (N.P)	Chinnapallam-parai (Sendamangalam)	Sri Senga Pidari- amman temple (F)	500	0.03	Sri Senga Pidari- amman	Salem Town Railway station 32 miles
41	..	do	Periapallam-parai (Sendamangalam)	Sri Karuppannaswami temple (O)	500	1.00	Sri Karuppannan	do
42				Sri Nachimar temple (O)			Sri Nachiamman	
43	..	do	do	Sri Arangasivam temple (S)	300	0.02	Sri Arangasivam	Salem Town Railway station 32 miles
44	38	Sendamangalam (P)	Sendamangalam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Mariamman	...
45	..	do	do	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami temple (V)	500	0.28	Sri Lakshminarayanaswami	...
46				Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	...	...	Sri Varadarajaswami	
47				Sri Someswaraswami temple (S)	...	...	Sri Someswaraswami	

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

413	4.25	...	...	...	...	...	Chapparam	Poojas only on important days by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festivals in Adi	...	No
200	0.84	...	...	...	..	...	...	Once a year by a hereditary Gounder	T. arongal	...	No
400	...	9.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a hereditary Gounder	Festival on Adi 15th	...	No
632	...	8.00	...	...	...	..	...	Once a year by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a hereditary Gounder	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
210	...	1.50	...	...	...	50	Car	Twice a day by a Poosari	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
14,403	...	...	...	...	29,302	...	Car Ratham Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhnttachariar	Car festival in Masi	...	No

Sl. No.	Location code unit adopted for 1961 Census		Local name of hamlet or village	Name of temple	Reported age (in years)	Area in acres	Principal Deity	Location (Nearest Railway station)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
48	38	Sendamangalam (P)	Sendamangalam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	400	0.10	Sri Sellandiamman	Salem Town Railway station 30 miles
49				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
50	„	do	do	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	70	Below 0.23	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Salem Town Railway station 32 miles
51				Sri Krishnaswami temple (V)			Sri Krishnaswami	
52	44	Thalampadi (P)	Tazhampadi	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	75	Below 0.01	Sri Sellandiamman	Salem Town Railway station 27 miles
53	50	Kodur (P)	Kodur	Sri Agastheeswarar temple (S)	200	0.10	Sri Agastheeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 19 miles
54	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	do
55	53	Manianur (P)	Manianur	Sri Kariakalamman temple (F)	150	0.03	Sri Karikalamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 20 miles
56	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.02	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property		Vahanam	Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
					Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

						87			Annual Festival in Avani	...	No
200	...	4.30	...	...	...		Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Poosari	Annual Festival in Adi	...	No
						56					
997	7.08	11.40	...	Gerden 4.42 acres	...	160	Horse Garudan Kedayam	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
581	...	...	...	7.83	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
	3.01	19.30	...	...	...	4	Car Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri Karthigai Deepam	...	No
1,303											
	0.12	...	...	...	...	...	Car Ratham Palanquin	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Sivarathri	...	No
300	...	12.68	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas on important days by a hereditary Pandaram	Aannul Festival in Panguni	...	No
200	...	8.52	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas on important days by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Panguni	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
57	53	Manianur (P)	Manianur	Sri Kariaperumal temple (V)	150	0.02	Sri Kariaperumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 12 miles
58	56	Solasiramani (P)	Sala Sivamalai	Sri Chokkanathar temple (M)	Not known	0.30	Sri Chokkanathar	Pasur Railway station 1 mile
59				Sri Meenakshiamman temple (F)			Sri Meenakshiamman	
60	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	150	0.30	Sri Mariamman	do
61				Sri Alaganachiamman temple (F)			Sri Alaganachiamman	
62	„	do	do	Sri Padavattamman temple (F)			Sri Padavattamman	do
63	59	Ramadevam (P)	Ramadevam	Sri Karuppannaswami temple (O)	400	0.29	Sri Karuppannaswami	Pugalur Railway station 14 miles
64	„	do	do	Sri Pongaliamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Pongaliamman	do
65	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Below 0.01	Sri Mariamman	do

## TALUK (Contd.)

Annual income assessed for Fasli 1375 by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept. Rs.	Extent of immovable property (in acres)				Movable property			Periodical rites performed on behalf of temple	Festivals	Epigraphy	
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

200	...	8.30	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas on important days by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
2,350	...	32.08	...	...	...	..	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	..	...	No
	...	16.00	...	...	...					Mariamman Festival in Masi	
290						1000	Lion Car	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No
	...	8.75	...	...	...					Amman Festival in Marghazhi	
	...	...	...	14.34	...	50	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival on Sivarathri day	...	No
550	...	13.92	...	...	...	...	...	Only on important days by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival on Sivarathri day	...	No
	...	6.64	...	...	...	10	...	Only on important days by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival on Sivarathri day	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Temples under the Hindu Religious								
66	59	Ramadevam (P)	Ramadevam	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	280	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	Pugalur Railway station 14 miles
67	61	Iruttanai (P)	Iruttanai	Sri Achalamman temple (F)	500	0.92	Sri Achalamman	Pugalur Railway station 12 miles
68	62	Pirandagam	Paranthagam (Kottur)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Mariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 21 miles
69				Sri Kalliamman temple (F)	100	0.05	Sri Kalliamman	
70				Sri Myloga Narayana Perumal temple (V)		0.03	Sri Narayana Perumal	
71	63	Naravallur (P)	Naravalur (Agraharam)	Sri Varadarajaswami temple (V)	175	Not stated	Sri Varadaraja-swami	Sankari Drug Railway station 21 miles
72	70	Veeranam (P)	Veeranam	Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 36 miles
73				Sri Kannimar temple (F)		0.80	Sri Kannimar	
74				Sri Karuppannaswami temple (O)			Sri Karuppanna-swami	



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple				Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
	...	4.18	...	...	...	...	Bandicoot	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
300	...	...	...	2.70 House	...	370	Horse Palanquin	...	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
	0.75	2.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker			
500	1.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
	1.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Naidu			
500	3.00	14.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Karthikai Deepam	...	No
							Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram			
300	...	5.86	...	...	...	...	...	...	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
							Ratham	Poojas on important days by a hereditary Pandaram			

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
75	73	Thinnanur Nadu (N.P.)	Vasalurpatti (Thinnanurnadu)	Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Pidariamman	Salem Town Railway station 36 miles
76	79	Sivanaickenpatti (N.P.)	Sivanaickenpatti (Palayapalayam)	Sri Ratnagarbha Vinayagar temple (G)	50	0.02	Sri Ratnagarbha Vinayagar	Sankari Drug Railway station
77	80	Palayapalayam (P)	Sirkarpalayam	Sri Bhagavathiamman temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Bhagavathiamman	do
78				Sri Pidariamman temple (F)			Sri Pidariamman	
79	81	Sivampalayam (P)	Sivampalayam (Sithamaraipatti)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Vinayagar	do
80	82	Muthugapatti (P)	Arasaradi-kombai	Sri Pidariamman temple (F)	100	0.20	Sri Pidariamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 30 miles
81		do	Pudukombai	Sri Periaswami temple (O)	100	0.20	Sri Periaswami	do
82	84	Kosavampatti (P)	Kasavampatti	Sri Chenroya Perumal temple (V)	150	0.10	Sri Chenroya Perumal	Salem Market Railway station 20 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Repor- ted by temple				Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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200	0.63	1.77	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
400	...	...	1.33	...	...	...	...	Poojas on important days by a hereditary Reddiar	NO	...	No
200	0.65	8.85	...	...	...	1,000	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
250	1.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
400	...	10.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
354	...	...	10.00	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
250	...	6.01	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
83	84	Kosavampatti (P)	Kasavampatti	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	150	0.05	Sri Sellandiamman	Salem Market Railway station 20 miles
84	85	Namakkal (P)	Namakkal	Sri Narasimhaswami temple (V)	1,000	2.00	Sri Narasimhaswami	}
85				Sri Ranganathar temple (V)			Sri Ranganathaswami	
86	..	do	do	Sri Sangaliar Pillayar temple (G)	200	Below 0.02	Sri Pillayar	Sankari Drug Railway station
87	..	do	do	Sri Palapattarai Mariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.10	Sri Mariamman	do
88	..	do	do	Sri Muniappar temple (O)	150	0.03	Sri Muniappar	Salem Town Railway station 32 miles
89	..	do	do	Sri Kamakshiamman temple (S)	200	Below 0.03	Sri Kamakshiamman	Sankari Drug Railway station

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
300	...	...	...	5.79	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
13,601	3.00	...	...	Shops	1,34,415.20	...	Car Ratham Swan Horse Palanquin Lion Elephant	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Krishna Jayanthi Navarathri Car festival in Panguni	38 to 39 of 1913 10-12 of 1906 7-9 of 1906 and 291-293 of 1960-61	...
983	...	...	...	Shops	...	180	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pillai	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
3,373	...	...	...	Shops	7,282	...	Ratham Horse Lion Elephant	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithirai	...	Yes
630	...	...	...	Shops	...	400	...	Twice a day by a Poosari	Navarathri	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
90	85	Namakkal (P)	Namakkal	Sri Sakthi Vinayagar temple (G)	150	Below 0·01	Sri Vinayagar	Sankari Drug Railway station
91	„	do	Ramapuram-pudur	Sri Pillayar temple (G)	30	0·01	Sri Pillayar	do
92	88	Thummankurichi (P)	Thumbakurichi	Sri Madurai Kali- amman temple (S)	60	1·00	Sri Kaliamman	Sanakri Drug Railway station 25 miles
93	92	Kudacheri (P)	Kodacheri	Sri Soolceswarar temple (S)	500	0·30	Sri Soolceswara- swami	Pugalur Railway station 11 miles
94	99	Kothamangalam (N.P)	Kothamangalam	Sri Arunachaleswarar temple (S)	200	Below 0·02	Sri Arunachala- swarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 15 miles
95	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0·15	Sri Mariamman	do
96				Sri Kaliamman temple (F)		0·25	Sri Kaliamman	
97	„	do	do	Sri Karia Perumal temple (V)	100	Below 0·01	Sri Karia Perumal	do
98	112	Vallipuram (P)	Vallipuram	Sri Nallayecamman temple (F)	150	Below 0·20	Sri Nallayee amman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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2,162	...	...	...	Shops	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin (Telugu)	Karthikai Deepam Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
020	...	...	...	Garden 2'00	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
500	...	35'00	...	Garden 8'00	...	...	Car	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Chithrapournami	...	Yes
250	...	...	...	18'96	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Sivarathri	...	No
400	...	10'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthikai Deepam	...	No
...	...	3'73	...	...	...	...	...	...	Mariamman Festival in Panguni	...	No
2,500	...	5'60	...	...	...	100	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
450	...	10'50	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
214	...	4'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a Pandaram	Annual Festival in Purattasi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
99	114	do	do	Sri Valliamman temple (F)	Not known	0.40	Sri Valliamman	do
100				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.35	Sri Mariamman	
101	„	do	do	Sri Thanthonreeswarar temple (S)	700	0.50	Sri Thanthonreeswarar	Sankari Drug Railway station 28 miles
102	114	Periapatti (P)	Periapatti	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	Not known	0.35	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 26 miles
103	„	do	do	Sri Pillayar temple (G)	300	Not known	Sri Pillayar	Sankari Drug Railway station
104				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
105	117	Reddipatti (P)	Reddipatti	Sri Kandugiri Palani Andavar temple (M)	150	Below 0.23	Sri Kandagiri Palaniyandavar	Sankari Drug Railway station 27 miles
106	„	do	Thoganatham (Thorur Mitta)	Sri Thogaperumal temple (V)	300	0.25	Sri Thogaperumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 29 miles
107	119	Kodikalpudur (Thosur) (P)	Kodikkalpudur (Thorur)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.01	Sri Mariamman	Salem Town Railway station 36 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple	Vahanam			Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

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629	...	4.00	...	...	...	200	Horse	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Valliamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
									Mariamman Festival in Panguni	...	Yes
500	...	40.55	...	...	...	...	Rishabam Chapparams 3	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
200	...	10.75	...	...	...	...	...	Pooja by a Gounder	No	...	No
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gounder	No	...	No
200	...	3.56	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
3,661	5.00	...	...	...	...	1,500	Car Chapparam	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Thaipoosam	...	No
200	...	...	16.12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	No
700	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
108	123	Thottamudayampatti (N.P.)	Thottamudayampatti via Erumapatti	Sri Kannimar temple (F)	Not known	0.02	Sri Kannimar	Sankari Drug Railway station 18 miles
109	125	Pavitram (P)	Pavithram	Sri Varadarajaperumal temple (V)	54	0.25	Sri Varadarajaperumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 42 miles
110	„	do	do	Sri Sandaipettai Vinayagar temple (G)	Not known	0.05	Sri Vinayagar	do
111	126	Varagur (P)	Varagoor	Sri New Varadarajar temple (V)	30	0.25	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station 41 miles
112				Sri Krishnaswami bajanai temple (V)	30	0.25	Sri Krishna-swami	
113	„	do	do	Sri Pidariamman (Sri Sellandiamman) temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Pidariamman	do
114	„	do	do	Sri Old Varadarajar Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.25	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	do
115	128	Varadarajapuram (P)	Kasthuripalli (Varadarajapuram)	Sri Palayamman temple (F)	250	0.02	Sri Palayamman	Sankari Drug Railway station 23 miles
116	„	do	do	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)	200	0.01	Sri Vinayagar	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Report- ed by temple				Ref. for deciph- ered ones	Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
300	...	13'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a year by a hereditary Gounder	No	...	No
661	1'00	4'00	...	1'45	...	400	Kedayam	Twice a day by a Bhatta- chariar	Vaikasam Vishakam Navarathri Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
250	...	2'00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Vinayaka Chathurthi	...	No
2,773	8'34	...	...	...	...	1,400	Elephant Garudan	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi Navarathri	...	No
1,043	4'40	2'98	...	...	...	3,286	Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Vellalar	...	...	No
200	1'04	4'87	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	...	...	No
282	0'50	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No
250	...	1'64	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	...	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
117	..	do	do	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Salem Town Railway station 44 miles
118	132	Thipramadevi (P)	Thipramadevi	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	300	0.50	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Sankari Drug Railway station 38 miles
119	..	do	do	Sri Aravandi anuman temple (F)	360	0.50	Sri Aravandi amman	Sankari Drug Railway station 38 miles
120				Sri Mariamman temple (F)			Sri Mariamman	
121	133	Velayapatti (P)	Velayapatti	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	300	0.25	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Salem Town Railway station 40 miles
122	..	do	do	Sri Karuppannaswami temple (O)	200	0.05	Sri Karuppannaswami	Salem Town Railway station 40 miles
123				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)		0.20	Sri Sellandiamman	
124	135	Veppanatham (P)	Vasanthapuram	Sri Vasantharaja Perumal temple (V)	80	Below 0.04	Sri Vasantharaja perumal	Sankari Drug Railway station
125	145	Paramathi (P)	Paramathi	Sri Kothandaramar temple (V)			Sri Kothandaramaswami	Pugalur Railway station 7 miles
					Not known	0.60		
126				Sri Parameswaraswami temple (S)			Sri Parameswaraswami	

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					Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist						
	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple						(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)

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...	8.84	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Bhattachariar	...	...	No
424	1.44	1.21	...	...	...	25	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Yarthigar Deepam	...	No
500	...	...	...	2.46	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Festival in Chithirai	...	No
343	4.42	17.13	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	...	...	No
343	...	0.60	...	...	...	...	Horse Car	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Chithirai once in 3 years	...	No
300	...	21.80	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Bhattachariar	...	...	No
260	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	...	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
127	154	Kabilakurichi (P)	Kabilamalai	Sri Bala Subramaniam temple (M)	200	0.30	Sri Subramaniam	Kolanalli Railway station 5 miles
128	154	Pallikalpalayam (P)	Chinnagoundenpalayam (Pilakalapalayam)	Sri Vinayagar temple (G)		0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Kodumudi Railway station 2 miles
129				Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	150		Sri Bagavathiamman	
130				Sri Mariamman temple (F)		0.05	Sri Mariamman	
131	..	do	Pilkilpalayam	Sri Vyragiri Vadapalani Andavar (Baladandayudhaniswami) temple (M)	100	1.03	Sri Baladandayudhaniswami	Kodumudi Railway station 1 mile
132	155	Bommalapalayam (N.P)	Agraharam (Bommialapalayam)	Sri Eswaran temple (S)	100	3.00	Sri Eswaran	Noyyal Railway station 2 miles
133	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	100	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Noyyal Railway station 2 miles
134				Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	...	...	Sri Bagavathiamman	
135				Sri Vaitheeswarar temple (S)	...	..	Sri Vaitheeswarar	
136	..	do	do	Sri Veerabhadraswami temple (Q)	100	0.03	Sri Veerabhadraswami	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

338	1 60	2 00	...	...	...	2000	Car Palanquin	Twice a day by a Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam Navarathri Thaipposam	438 of 1929 and 199-200 Sewell's List	...
893	2 00	...	...	...	...	...	Lion Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Panguni	...	No
3,450	1 50	8 00	...	...	...	...	Car Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
...	1 78	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	...	No
	0 92	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Mariamman Festival in Panguni	...	No
2,150											
	0 49	...	...	...	...	...	...	Thrice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
137	156	Agraharakondalath (N.P)	Agraharakondalam (Kondalam)	Sri Viswanathaswami temple (S)	150	0.04	Sri Viswanathaswami	Noyyal Railway station 1 mile
138	„	do	Sir Arkondalam Kondalam)	Sri Angalamman temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Angalamman	Noyyal Railway station 2 miles
139	„	do	Agraharam (Kondalam)	Sri Prasanna Venkatesa Perumal temple (V)	150	0.02	Sri Venkatesa Perumal	Noyyal Railway station 1 mile
140	153	Vengarai (P)	Kuchupalayam	Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)	500	0.10	Sri Sellandiamman	Pugalur Railway station 7 miles
141	„	do	do	Sri Vallabha Vinayagar temple (G)	100	0.02	Sri Vinayagar	Pugalur Railway station 6 miles
142	„	do	Pandamangalam	Sri Prasanna Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	500	Below 0.01	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Pugalur Railway station 7 miles
143	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	Not stated	Sri Mariamman	do
144	„	do	do	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S) (New)	37	Below 0.03	Sri Viswanathaswami	do



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple	Vahanam				
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)
and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)											
900	1.05	0.64	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
825	1.25	8.02	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Naicker	Angalamman Festival in Masai	...	No
500	0.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Archagar	No	...	No
200	1.30	0.16	...	...	...	...	Car Horse Lion Bandicoot	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Chithirai Amman Festival in Iyypasi	...	No
226	0.62	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
1,551	...	...	...	3.75	7,690	...	Car Ratham Palanquin	Thrice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri Brahmotsavam in Thai	...	No
284	...	...	...	1.03	...	60	Car Lion Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Poosari	No	...	No
6,433	5.76	...	...	...	...	...	Horse Peacock Chapparam Palanquin	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Ani Arudra Dharisanam	...	No

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(1)	No.	Name	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
145	158	Venkarai (P)	Pandamangalam	Sri Pavada Pillayar temple (G)	125	Not stated	Sri Pillayar	Pugalur Railway station 7 miles
146	„	do	„	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S) (Old)	200	0.10	Sri Viswanathaswami	do
147	„	do	Vengarai	Sri Vengaraianman temple (F)	200	0.12	Sri Vengaraianman	Pugalur Railway station 8½ miles
148	„	do	do	Sri Sanjeeviroyaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.60	Sri Sanjeeviroyaswami	do
149	„	do	do	Sri Neelakanteswaraswami temple (S)	200	1.00	Sri Neelakanteswaraswami	Pugalur Railway station 8½ miles
150	„	do	do	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	200	0.07	Sri Varadarajar Perumal	do
151	164	Velur (P)	Anichampalayam	Sri Venkataramanaswami temple (V)	250	0.50	Sri Venkataramanaswami	Pugalur Railway station 5 miles
152	„	do	Velur	Sri Kasiviswanathaswami temple (S)	400	0.92	Sri Viswanathaswami	Pugalur Railway station 4 miles
153	„	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.60	Sri Mariamman	do

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

300	0.15	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a Pandaram	No	...	No
500	0.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	373 of 1939-40	...
1000	11.67	25.54	...	...	...	10	Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No
263	1.70	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Rayar	...	...	No
88)	3.83	...	...	...	...	70	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Navarathri Sivarathri Arudra Darisanam	...	No
1,000	6.43	18.36	...	...	...	...	Horse	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
500	3.58	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
5,063	11.45	...	...	...	...	1,200	Horse Peacock	Four times a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Annual Festival in Margazhi Navarathri	...	No
350	...	...	...	...	...	...	Car Chapparam	Once a day by a hereditary Naicker	Amman Festival in Panguni	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
154	165	Nanjai Edayar (P)	Nanjai Edayar	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Pugalur Railway station 5 miles
155	..	do	do	Sri Thirumalleeswarar temple (S)	Not known	0.30	Sri Thirumalleswarar	do
156	..	do	do	Sri Rajeswaraswami temple (S)	Not known	1.00	Sri Subramania-swami	do
157	160	S. Valavandi	Valavanthipatti	Sri Kambai Kalappa Nachiar temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Nachiar	Salem Town Railway station
158	171	Manapalli	Manappalli	Sri Varadarajar temple (V)	200	0.15	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Karur Railway station 13 miles
159	..	do	do	Sri Bheemeswarar temple (S)	250	0.25	Sri Bheemeswaraswami	do
160	..	do	do	Sri Chokkanayagi amman temple (F)	Not known	0.50	Sri Chokkanayagi-amman	Karur Railway station 13 miles
161	174	Pettapalayam (N.P.)	Pettaipalayam (Mohanur)	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	Not known	0.10	Sri Mariamman	Karur Railway station 9 miles
162	..	..	..	Sri Nachimar temple (F)		0.10	Sri Nachiamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C.E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

202	...	10.00	...	...	...	1,000	Lion Swan Chapparam	Six times a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Masi	...	No
800	1.20	...	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	...	42 of 1913	...
242	...	10.00	...	...	...	...	...	Poojas on important days by a hereditary Pandaram	Sivarathri	...	No
605	3.96	10.36	...	...	...	3,000	...	Once a year by a hereditary Malayali Gounder	Annual Festival in May	...	No
1,080	4.86	7.93	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	No	...	No
525	0.80	30.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a week by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
210	3.27	3.35	...	...	...	...	Car	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
400	...	2.07	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	} Mariamman Festival in Adi	...	No
								Once a day by a hereditary Kosavan			

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
163	176	Mohanur (P)	Mohanur	Sri Achaladeeswarar temple (S)	Not known	1.00	Sri Achaladeeswarar	Karur Railway station 7 miles
164	„	do	do	Sri Navaladi Karuppannaswami temple (O)	Not known	0.75	Sri Navaladi Karuppannaswami	Karur Railway station 7 miles
165				Sri Kalliamman temple (F)		0.50	Sri Kalliamman	
166	„	do	do	Sri Kandamalai Balasubramaniaswami temple (M)	Not known	0.75	Sri Subramaniaswami	do
167	„	do	do	Sri Vanikula Drowpathiamman temple (F)	200	0.50	Sri Drowpathiamman	do
168	177	Oravandur (P)	Oravandur	Sri Vajrapureeswarar temple (S)	100	0.09	Sri Vajrapureeswarar	Pugalur Railway station 19 miles
169	„	do	do	Sri Pidari temple (F)	Not known	0.15	Sri Pidariamman	do
170				Sri Sellandiamman temple (F)			Sri Sellandiamman	

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.		Vahanam			Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
					Appraised by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Reported by temple					
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Contd.)

4,059	1-00	...	...	...	...	...	Rishabam	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Chithra Pournami	...	Yes
3,864	2-50	19-72	...	...	538	...	Horse Yali	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Kalamman Festival in Chithirai	...	No
7,001	3-00	3-00	...	...	...	...	Peacock Elephant Horse	Four times a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
500	0-50	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
475	3-00	4-00	...	...	...	...	Rishabham	Twice a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
660	3-64	39-09	...	...	...	1,000	Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Amman Festival in Masi	...	No

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples under the Hindu Religious</b>								
171	181	Andapuram (P)	Andapuram	Sri Varadaraja Perumal temple (V)	Not known	0.03	Sri Varadaraja Perumal	Mayanur Railway station 5 miles
172	183	Mettupatti (P)	Mettupatti (Valayapatti)	Sri Pattabhiramaswami temple (V)	350	0.05	Sri Pattabhiramaswami	Salem Town Railway station 42 miles
173	184	Agrahara Valavandi (P)	Agrahara Valavandi	Sri Sengazhaniaimman temple (F)	350	0.50	Sri Sengazhani amman	do
174	186	Sevanthipatti (P)	Sevandipatti	Sri Thalamalai Venkatachalapathy temple (V)	1500	0.50	Sri Venkatachalapathy	Lalapet Railway station 12 miles
175	"	do	do	Sri Pillayar temple (G)	Not known	0.10	Sri Pillayar	Lalapet Railway station 4 miles



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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Apprai- sed by H. R. & C. E. (A) Dept.	Repor- ted by temple	Ref. for deciph- ered ones				Non- deciph- ered but re- ported to exist	
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	
and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)												
250	2.50	30.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Battachariar	No	...	No	
500	1.00	20.10	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Bhattachariar	Navarathri	...	No	
362	...	...	...	13.36	...	868	Ratham	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Car Festival in Margazhi	...	No	
	...	...	...	220.00	...	300	...	Twice a day by a Brahmin	Festival in Purattasi	...	No	
2,426												
	20.00	50.00	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Naidu	Mahalaya Amavasai	...	No	

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	No.	Name						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
1	14	Navani (Thottikurpatti) (P)	Navani	Sri Athanooramman temple (F)	300	Below 0.06	Sri Athanooramman	Salem Town Railway station 23 miles
2	.36	Bommasamudram	Bommasamudram	Sri Kasi Viswanathaswami temple (V)	250	1.00	Sri Kasi Viswanathaswami	Salem Town Railway station 38 miles
3	97	Elampalli (P)	Elampalli	Sri Umamaheswaraswami temple (S)	500	0.05	Sri Umamaheswarar	Pasur Railway station 2½ miles
4	101	Vadagarai Attur (West) (P)	Vadagarai Athur	Sri Anjal Perumal temple (V)	100	Below 0.01	Sri Perumal	Unjalur Railway station 2 miles
5	..	do	do	Sri Chokkanateesar temple (S)	300	Below 0.03	Sri Natesar	do
6	102	Thidumal (P)	Thidumal	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	180	0.15	Sri Mariamman	Unjalur Railway station 6 miles
7	..	do	do	Sri Kaliyamman temple (F)	Not known	0.73	Sri Kaliyamman	do
8	107	Pillur	Pillur (Near Paramathi)	Sri Veeratteswarar and Sri Veeranarayana Perumal temple (V)	300	0.20	Sri Veeratteswarar and Sri Veeranarayana Perumal	Pugalur Railway station 5 miles

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	Wet	Dry	Wet & Dry	Others	Value of Jewellery Rs.					Ref. for deciphered ones	Non-deciphered but reported to exist
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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board

300	2.78	22.22	...	...	...	...	...	Twice a week by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
450	2.52	6.96	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a Gurukkal	No	...	No
460	...	19.34	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	No	...	No
...	...	35.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Brahmin	Vaikunta Ekadasi	...	No
200	...	15.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Karthigai Deepam	...	No
250	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
50	...	6.00	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	No	...	No
450	...	18.86	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
<b>Temples outside the Hindu Religious</b>								
9	119	Kodikkalpudur (Thosur) (P)	Kodikkalpudur	Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	40	0.40	Sri Bagavathi	Sankari Drug Railway station 32½ miles
10	152	Kunnathur Agraharam (P) Bit II	A. Kunnathur	Sri Marudhakali- amman temple (F)	200	Below 0.01	Sri Marudhakali- amman	Unjalur Railway station 2½ miles
11	158	Vengarai (P)	Pandamangalam	Sri Baladandayudha- pani temple (M)	150	Not stated	Sri Dhandayuda- pani	Kodumudi Railway station 1 mile
12	160	Gopanampalayam	Gopalapuram	Sri Bagavathiamman temple (F)	60	0.10	Sri Bagavathi- amman	Pugalur Railway station 8 miles
13	162	Pothanur (P)	Pothanur	Sri Eswarar temple (S)	50	Below 0.23	Sri Eswarar	Pugalur Railway station 6 miles
14	..	do	do	Sri Mariamman temple (F)	200	Below 0.23	Sri Mariamman	do

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(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)

## and Charitable Endowments Board (Concl'd.)

...	...	...	...	...	...	100	Car	...	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
300	3'31	1'63	...	...	...	...	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Annual Festival in Panguni	...	No
2,000	2'00	14'00	...	...	...	75	Car Horse Peacock Chapparam	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	Panguni Uthiram Karthigai Deepam	...	No
...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	Once a day by a hereditary Pandaram	Festival in Panguni	...	No
...	...	32'90	...	100 coconut trees	...	...	...	Twice a day by a hereditary Gurukkal	No	...	No
...	...	5'24	...	...	...	...	Palanquin	Four times a day by a hereditary Uppiliar	Festival once in three years in Panguni	...	No



















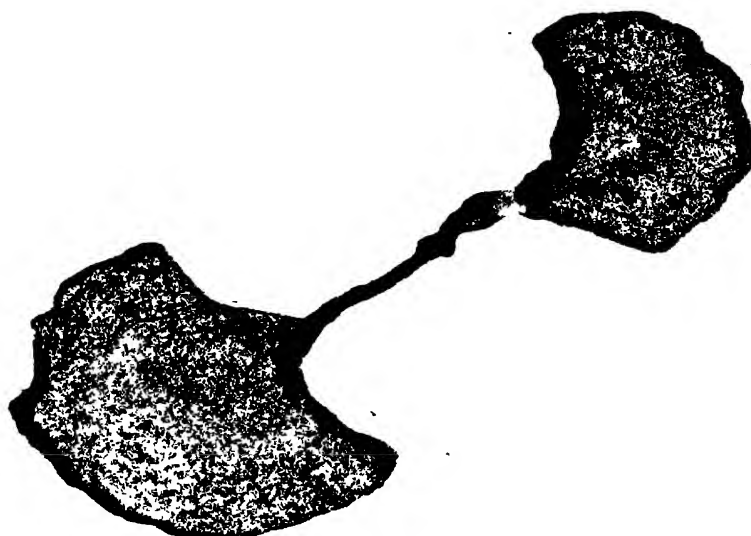












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